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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

STEAM TO ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, PLYMOUTH, LONDON, BRINDISI, VENICE TRIESTE, AND MARSEILLES.

PROGRAMME OF DEPARTURES.

Vessels.	Tons	H. P.	Captains.	FRIDAY 1886.
L SURAT	3142	550	R. G. Murray	26th March
M AUSTRALIA	3954	600	E. Ashdown	2nd April.
L PESHAWUR	3900	600	L. H. Moule	9th ,,
— ASSAM	3038	500	W. J. Nantes	16th ,,
L OLYDE	4194	800	E. M. Edmond	23rd ,,
M MIRZAPORE	2937	600	R. Harvey	30th ,,
L HYDASPES	2934	550	G. Scrivener	7th May.
— GWALIOR	2735	500	P. Harris	14th ,,
L THAMES	4101	800	W. A. Seaton	21st ,,
				TUESDAY.
M MALWA	2959	500	G. W. Atkinson	25th ,,
L ANCONA	3123	600	S. F. Cole	1st June.

The steamers marked L proceed direct to London via Malta; and those marked M via Marseilles. By the others, passengers for London change vessels at Suez. All London steamers call at Plymouth.

A steam-barge will leave the Apollo Bunder at 3 p.m. on the day of sailing to convey passengers on board.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, ST AITS, CHINA, JAPAN, AND AUSTRALIA.

Vessels.	Tons.	H.P.	Captains.	1886.
PEKIN	3930	800	A. Symons	2nd April.
RAVENNA	3372	700	A. B. Danieli	16th ,,
VERONA	3116	600	M. de Horne	30th ,,
ROSETTA	3502	700	G. W. Brady	14th May.
ROHILLA	3501	700	W. Barratt	28th ,,

Return Tickets are now issued at greatly reduced rates to all ports, for particulars of which apply to

F. D. PARKER,
Superintendent P & O. S. N. Company.
Bombay, March 13, 1886.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA
SOCIETA RIUNITE FLORIO RUBATTINO.

THE Regular Mail-steamers leave BOMBAY on the 1st of each month at noon, calling at ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, GENOA, and MARSEILLES, starting from GENOA on the 24th of every month for BOMBAY.

FARE to all Ports of Italy Rs. 500, Rs. 340, Rs. 150, for First, Second, and Third Class, respectively, inclusive of Wine. Infants are allowed free. Children over three and under ten years, half fare. Families will be allowed liberal discount. To Marseilles Rs. 30, 16, and 5 extra, for First, Second, and Third Class, respectively.

Passengers' heavy Baggage will be delivered in LONDON, FREE OF CHARGE, to the extent allowed in the Handbooks.

A discount of 35, 20, and 10 per cent. is allowed to Passengers returning within three, six, and twelve months, respectively, from the date of LANDING.

The following or other First Class Steamers will leave Bombay :—

	Tons.	H.P.	
RAFFAELE RUBATTINO	5,000	850	1st April 1886
MANILLA	5,000	850	1st May 1886
DOMENICO BALDUINO (late China)	5,000	850	1st June 1886

Steam Launch leaves Apollo Bunder between 10 and 11 a.m. on the day of sailing, with Passengers and heavy Baggage.

Through Railway Tickets available for 17 days to London via Calais or Brighton, both from Genoa and Naples, are issued here.

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Sassoon House, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, Mar. 2, 1886.

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REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS
BETWEEN BOMBAY, BRINDISI, AND TRIESTE.
VIA CANAL.

Steamers.	Captains	Tons.	H. P.	To sail 1886.
ELEKTRA	G. Rasquin	4,200	600	3rd April.
PANDORA	G. Mottel	3,500	550	16th ,,
POSEIDON(New)	G. Doncich	4,600	650	3rd May.
BERENICE	A. B. Verona	3,500	550	16th ,,
AMPHITRITE	B. Gelcich	4,600	650	3rd June.
VORWAERTS	P. Andrianich	2,800	600	16th ,,

A Surgeon and Stewardess on board of every Steamer.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY.

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	Deck
TRIESTE OR BRINDISI	Rs. 500	Rs. 300	Rs. 130

RETURN TICKETS are now issued available for SIX MONTHS at the following rates :—

	1st Class.	2nd Class.
TRIESTE OR BRINDISI	Rs. 800	Rs. 480

Above rates include Wines supplied at meals.

Steamers for BOMBAY leave TRIESTE on the 5th, and BRINDISI on the 7th, of each month.

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STEAM TO COLOMBO, PENANG, SINGAPORE AND HONGKONG.

Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	H.P.	To sail 1886.
AMPHITRITE	B. Gelcich	4,600	650	1st April

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J. JANNI,
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Sassoon House, 50, Church-gate-street,
Bombay, 16th March 1886.

HALL LINE OF STEAMERS

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL.
CALLING AT MALTA.

	Capt.	Tons.	H.-P.	On or about
S.S. MERTON HALL	Barnes	4,100	700	25th May.
S.S. BYDAL HALL	Buck	2,700	400	3rd June.

Passengers booked Overland to LONDON via MALTA and NAPLES.

Each Steamer carries a Surgeon and Stewardess.

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EDWARD BATES & Co.,
Agents.
Bombay, 4th March, 1886.

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THE Splendid steam-ship AUSTRALASIAN, 3,700 tons, Captain SIMPSON, will sail for LONDON from BOMBAY direct, about 5th April, and passages can now be secured at moderate rates.

The steamer is now in the Prince's Dock, and can be seen at any time. It is expected that the voyage Home will be made in twenty-four days, including all detentions. The steamer is also furnished with an ice-house and cow.

Comfortable accommodation for a few intermediate passengers.

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FINLAY, MUIR & Co., Bombay.
24th March 1886.

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This vessel is well-known as favourite passengership from Calcutta, and has very superior accommodation.

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In Stout Sterling Silver Case ..... Rs. 70
Do. in 18-carat Gold ..... ,, 175

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FOR KURRACHEE AND PERSIAN GULF.

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FOR COAST AND CALCUTTA.

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Bombay, 24th March, 1886. Agents.

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FOR COCK-TAILS AND PICK-ME-UPS.
Per doz. Rs. 24 Cash.

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FROM THE CELEBRATED DISTILLERIES OF THE VINE GROWERS' ASSOCIATION OF COGNAC.

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TREACHER'S FINE OLD PALE COGNAC, the Celebrated "Heart" Labelled" Brandy ,,	35 0
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A BLEND OF THE FINEST ORIGINAL
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GLENLIVET WHISKY,
Cash, Rs. 22-8 per dozen.

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Some second-hand English-built Broughams, Victorias, Mail-phaetons.

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SOUNDY & Co., Limited,
BOMBAY.

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10 8	6 0	ST. JULIEN MEDOC ... Light with good flavour.	10 8	6 0
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17 0	10 0	SUPERIOR MEDOC ... Full-bodied, of high character and flavour.	17 0	10 0
22 0	12 0	CHATEAU LAGRANGE ... Soft, delicate, full and fine flavour.	22 0	12 0
27 0	15 0	CHATEAU LAROSE ... Extremely delicate, endowed with exquisite flavour and bouquet.	27 0	15 0
33 0	17 8	CHATEAU MARGAUX ... Exceedingly choice, possessing great fragrance with delicate bouquet.	33 0	17 8

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(Signed) WILLIAM BERESFORD, Major,
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Calcutta, 23rd January 1886.

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10 0	St. JULIEN (Light Breakfast Wine)	6 0
12 0	St. ESTEPHE } Strongly recommended	7 0
12 8	St. EMILLION } Strongly recommended	7 0
13 0	CHATEAU de FRANCE (Favourite Breakfast Wine)	7 0
15 0	MARGAUT } Highly recommended	8 0
16 0	HAUT CANON } Highly recommended	9 0
17 0	MOUTON ROTHSCHILD (Soft and fully Matured)	9 0
20 0	CHATEAU LEOVILLE } Magnificent Dinner Wine	11 0
23 0	CHATEAU LAFITTE } Magnificent Dinner Wine	12 0
26 0	CHATEAU LA ROSE } Light and Soft with Beautiful Aroma, After Dinner Wine	14 0
28 0	CHATEAU MARGAUX } Light and Soft with Beautiful Aroma, After Dinner Wine	16 0

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Hock, Nonpareil, extra quality	48 0
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Rudesheimer, mellow	21 0	23 0
Hochheimer, fine flavoured	26 0	28 0
Laubenheimer	21 0	23 0
Steinwein in Bocksbeutels	33 0	...

SHERRY.	Credit. Per case. 1 doz. qts. Rs. a.
Amontillado, choice and superior	black capsule 40 0
Invalids', highly recommended	,, ,, 30 0
Amoroso, full-flavoured grand Sherry	,, ,, 30 0
Montilla, extra pale and very dry	,, ,, 30 0
Manzanilla, light and very dry	red ,, 25 0
Pale, medium dry, very popular	yellow ,, 23 0
Vino de Pasto, pale and dry	pink ,, 22 0
A good ordinary Wine	white ,, 18 0

MARSALA.	
Marsala, virgin pale, finest	yellow capsule 18 8

MADEIRA.	
Madeira, E. I., very superior, 2 voyages	black capsule 42 0
Madeira, excellent wine	red ,, 36 0
Madeira, fine young wine	blue ,, 26 0

HUNGARIAN WINE.	
Carlowitz, superior selected	blue capsule 23 0
Carlowitz, very choice	red ,, 20 8

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Whisky, Scotch, fine old, pure, "Heart-Shaped Label"	25 0
Napier Johnstone's Highland Whisky, Square Bottles	27 8
Whisky, Scotch, "the Carlton," 11 years old	40 0
Whisky, Scotch, fine Highland, 5 years old	36 0
Whisky, Scotch, Crown Brand	21 0
Andrew Usher and Co., Old Vatted Glenlivet, "Special Reserve"	25 8
Old Vatted Glenlivet	23 4

WHISKY.—IRISH.	
Whisky, Irish, fine old, pure	25 0
Whisky, Irish, Crown Brand	21 0
Dublin Whisky Finest Old Irish, 3 Shamrocks	28 8
Fine Old Irish, 1 Shamrock	26 4

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Black Capsule, "old pale, superior"	****		40 0
Black Capsule, "extra superior," rare, 20 years old			50 0
Lefavre Cognac		blue and	15 8
Jean Sibadey's Brandy		gold seals	21 0

SPIRITS.		
Rum, finest old Jamaica	white seals	24 0
Rum, fine "Pineapple"		23 0
Gin, London Old Tom, first quality		23 8
Dry Gin		23 8
Geneva, in flasks, the best		19 0
Schnapps, Henke's Aromatic		19 8

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LADIES' GLOVES!
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WHITE SWEDE GLOVES, from 10 to 18 buttons.
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NOTICE is hereby given that the SECOND WEDNESDAY, in the month of April next, is appointed for a further hearing in the above matter for the purpose of DECLARING a FIRST DIVIDEND of twenty-two per cent.—Dated this 24th day of March, 1886.
C. W. JACKSON,
Clerk of the Court.
Court House, Clerk of the Court's Office,
Fort, Bombay, this 24th day of March, 1886.

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Bombay, March 1886.

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England on the Sea, by W. H. D. Adams	3 12
Gladstone's Flunders	0 6
Good Words, Cloth Vol. for 1885, gilt edges...	4 12
Hobbes, by G. C. Robertson	2 4
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Light Science for Leisure Hours, by R. A. Proctor, 3 Series.....	9 12
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BYRAMJEE DADABHOY,
Registrar of Bombay.
Bombay, Registry Office, 24th March, 1886.

SPECIAL SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS.

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SALE of STOCK of FANCY ANGOLA, Scotch West of England Tweed, for Sack Coat and Trousers, from Rs. 12 to 25, with guarantee for an accurate fit, try at Y. A. LACKA and Co.

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Under instructions from, and on account of the Bombay Mechanics' Building Company, Limited, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will put up for sale by Public Auction on the premises, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, the 25th instant, at 4 o'clock p. m., the undermentioned freehold property in one lot, or, if the same appears expedient, in two, three or four lots.
All that piece or parcel of land or ground, situate at Byculla on the Parell-road, with the messuages, tenements, and buildings standing thereupon, containing by admeasurement 22,462 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded as follows—that is to say, on or towards the east, partly by the compound of the property of G. E. Pilcher, called Airy Cottage, and partly by property lately belonging to Cowasjee Pestonjee Bennett, deceased, formerly Government vacant ground, on or towards the west by the Parell Road, on or towards the north by property belonging to N. N. Wadia, formerly Government vacant ground, and on or towards the south partly by Mount Road, otherwise called Victoria-road, and partly by the compound of the property of the said G. E. Pilcher, called Airy Cottage, and which said piece or parcel of land is delineated in the plan thereof now lying in the office of the said Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., and all the estate, right, title, interest, claim and demand whatever of the said company in, to and upon the said premises and every part thereof.
Plans may be seen and particulars and conditions of sale ascertained at the office of the undersigned.
CRAWFORD & Co.
Bombay, 25th March, 1886.

MENESSE AND COMPANY.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, the 25th instant, Messrs. MENESSE & Co. will hold their usual weekly auction sale at their rooms of a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, twist, &c.
An invoice of fragrant perfumery by the well-known Napoleon Price and Co., just landed ex. s.s. Australia, consisting of golden oil, essence of white rose, spinarosa, cherry tooth paste, violet and millefleur nursery and toilet powder, real old brown windsor soap, &c.
6 cases angostura bitter.
2 " chlorozone fluid and powder.
39 hogsheads porter.
30 cwts. ships' biscuits.
2 cases oil burners.
1 " Nicol large size time pieces.
1 " double-bed iron cots.
30 " assorted colours in ½lb. tins.
1 " coloured handkerchiefs.
2 " Turkey red piece-goods.
3 " cambrics.
5 " coloured prints.
2 " bales G. shirtings.
1 " dhootis.
On account of the underwriters ex. s. s. Atrato—
W N—1—1 case damaged millinery.
By order of Shaik Moosa bin Shaik Abdoolutib, and on account of the mortgagor—
30 Cashmere shawls.
On account of the concerned—
D P 18—1 case German-silver sheets.
4 bags coffee.

AUCTION SALE of Railway plant, stores, &c., &c., at the B. B. & C. I. Railway Stores Depot, Parel.
Messrs. MENESSE & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 14th April, and the following days, at 1 p. m. on each day, until the whole is disposed of, at the B. B. & C. I. Railway Stores Depot, Parel:—
A large quantity of railway plant, stores, &c., being partly surplus and partly used stock, consisting of steel, wrought and cast iron scrap, coiled keys, fire bars, scoops, bevil bars, rails, wooden keys, fish plates, timber scrap, furniture, blocks, damaged bridge works, fittings for steam cranes, derrick poles, pile engines, steel and iron tyres, leather scrap, portable engine, 10 H. P., lead piping and sundry other miscellaneous articles.
Catalogues will be published and be had on the premises or of the undersigned.
Bombay, March 25, 1886.
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No. 4, FORBES & MEADOW-STREETS.
The last and rare opportunity for the sale of valuable and handsome Chinese and Japanese Curiosities, &c., &c. (well worth a visit), the remaining Stock-in-trade of China Depository Shop at No. 30, Apollo-street.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, and on SATURDAY, the 26th and 27th inst., at 1-30 p.m. Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co. will sell by Public Auction at the above place by order of C. A. Turner, Esq., Official Assignee, R. C., and Assignee of the Estate and Effects of Bezonjee Pestonjee Kharas (who carried on business under the name of Pestonjee Cowasjee Kharas), now an insolvent, the remaining stock-in-trade of his Chinese and Japanese curiosities, from lot No. 1202, consisting of excellent Chinaware, large rare vases, jars, punch bowls, wall plates, card plates, dinner, dessert, coffee, and toilet services, garden flower pots, garden seats, splendid bronze table ornaments in variety, elaborately carved ivory, sandlewood, tortoiseshell, and mother of pearl works, feather fans, assorted copper enamelled plates and vases, Chinese rice and leave painting, table dollies, Ceylon works, coral sets, lacquered goods, camphor wood trunks, bed mats, wall screens, handsome Chinese lanterns, &c., &c.
SHOP FURNITURE.—Show cases, cupboards, sets of tables, writing tables, black wood and cane chairs, whatnots, clock, packing cases, &c.
By order of the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the Arthur Crawford Market, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, the 25th instant, at 11 A.M., the right of collecting fees for weighing goods at the scales of the Arthur Crawford Markets for 12 months, i.e., from 1st April 1886 to 31st March 1887.
For further particulars and conditions of sale apply at the Municipal Commissioner's Office, Fort, or the Office of the Superintendent of Markets, Arthur Crawford Markets, or the undersigned.
The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the highest or any offer.
BONA FIDE SALE of valuable and handsome household furniture, specially made to order and artistic in design, table ornaments and vases, best plated ware, handsome porcelain ware and glassware, choice garden plants, &c., &c. The above articles, the property of E. C. Olivant, Esq., C. S, will be sold by Public Auction by the undersigned at Diana Lodge, Malabar Hill, on THURSDAY, the 8th proximo.
Catalogues will be published hereafter.
MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co.
Bombay, 25th March, 1886.

THE JIVRAJ BALLOO SPINNING AND WEAVING Co., Limited.
NOTICE is hereby given that, in pursuance of a Resolution passed at the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY held THIS DAY, a DIVIDEND at the rate of Rupees 25 per whole Share and 6¼ per one-quarter share for the year ending 31st December 1885 will be paid on and after THURSDAY, the 25th instant, at the Registered Office of the Company, Bazar Gate Street, Fort, between the hours of 12 noon and 3 P.M., to those Shareholders whose names appear on the Register this day, on production of Share Certificates.
RAMCHANDRA HEMRAJ,
Secretary.
Bombay, 17th March, 1886.

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BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Marine Battalion At Home.
Distribution of Prizes to Pupils of Cathedral High Schools, Town Hall, 5 p.m.
B. B. R. A. Society, Monthly Meeting, 5-15 p.m.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessels arrived yesterday:—Wingate (s), from Middlesborough; Werneth Hall (s), Liverpool; Bhownuggur (s), Bhownuggur; and H. M. S. Malabar, Portsmouth.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed yesterday:—M. S. Crocodile, for England; Carlton Tower (s), Marseilles; Lilburn Tower (s), Trieste and Venice; Sorrento (s), Hull; Algoma (s), Havre; and Brankelow (s), Genoa and Marseilles; and Chanda (s), Coasts and Calcutta.

B. B. R. A. SOCIETY.—A meeting of the Society will be held at 5-15 this evening.

G. I. P. RAILWAY.—The statement of traffic for the week ending 20th inst. shows a decrease of Rs. 30,027 in receipts.

B. B. AND C. I. RAILWAY.—The return of traffic for the week ending 13th inst. shows an increase of Rs. 30,722 in receipts.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The s.s. Khalif and Werneth Hall entered and the s.s. Carlton Tower, Lilburn Tower, Assam, and Sorrento left the dock yesterday.

FIRE.—A quantity of cotton, while being pressed in the Prince of Wales' Press at Victoria Bunder, caught fire at about 7-45 p.m. on Tuesday, and was speedily extinguished by the labourers of the Press with the assistance of a donkey-engine. The damage is estimated at Rs. 1,000.

NEW CALENDAR.—We have received from Messrs. Marcini and Co., Ld., a useful and ingeniously constructed perpetual office calendar. It takes the form of an enlarged representation of one of their campaign watches, being a foot in diameter, and the hands pointing to the date, month, and day of the week.

THEFT.—Govind Sonoo, a noted character, was yesterday convicted by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee of stealing a bag containing Rs 2, the property of a barber, named Dhakoo Narrayen, living at Lalwady, near Parell. The accused pleading guilty to the charge, and admitting a previous conviction, was sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment.

THE ISRAELITE SCHOOL.—The prize exhibition of the Israelite School of the Anglo-Jewish Association will take place in their school-rooms, House No. 51, Israel Mohoils, Khadak, next Sunday at 4 p.m. Dr. P. Peterson has kindly consented to preside. The friends and well-wishers of the institution are cordially invited.

THE SORAB SANATARIUM.—The Hon. M. Melvill and Mrs. and Miss Partman yesterday paid a visit to the Adamjee Peerbhoy Sanatarium on the Queen's Road, and were shown over the buildings by Mr. Adamjee Peerbhoy and Mr. Nowrojee Manockjee. The visitors expressed themselves pleased with the arrangements and appointments of the buildings.

INSOLVENT DEBTORS' COURT.—At a sitting of the Court yesterday, Mr. Manker, on behalf of William Valentine Spiers, applied to Mr. Justice Bayley to make absolute the rule *nisi* granted some days ago, requiring the creditor to show cause why satisfaction should not be entered up in respect of the debts mentioned in the schedule. There was no opposition, the insolvent having settled with his creditors; and the rule was made absolute.

REPORTED THEFT.—Mr Max Minck, watchmaker, Hornby Road, reported to the police on Tuesday that a Wheeler and Wilson sewing-machine, valued at Rs. 20, has been stolen from his shop. A servant in the employ of the complainant is suspected, and further inquiries are being made.

A TRAM ACCIDENT.—Ranchoredas Vurjeevundas, aged 15 years, whilst returning from St. Xavier's College on Tuesday evening in a tram car, and endeavouring to alight out of the car to pick up his cap, which had fallen off, jumped out the opposite way and fell on the side rails just as another tram car was coming from a different direction, which passed over his legs, fracturing the thigh and shin bones. The injured lad was taken to the G. T. Hospital, where he was attended to, and was afterwards removed to his father's house at Mint Road, Fort, where the lad is lying in a serious condition.

GAMBLERS.—Minguel Moskia and nine other Goanese, including two women, were yesterday charged, on the instance, of Inspector Hack, before Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee with being found gaming in a common gaming-house at Cammateepoors, with cards, dice, and money on Tuesday night. Upon the evidence adduced, they were all convicted, and the male accused were fined Rs. 3 each and the two women were warned and discharged.

A DEFAULTING POLICEMAN.—Kajee Hussain Ahmed, a police constable doing duty in the D Division, was yesterday convicted by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee of having absented himself without leave since the 22rd January last without any reasonable cause. The accused pleaded guilty, and was fined Rs. 30.

DEATH FROM TETANUS.—A coroner's inquest was held yesterday at the J. J. Hospital, on the body of Cassee, woman, aged 30 years. Deceased had been suffering from fever for a considerable time, and her relatives branded her about the head and temples. Tetanus supervening she was removed to the hospital, where she died from its effects on Tuesday night. A verdict of death from tetanus was recorded.

THE PAREL SPINNING AND WEAVING MILL.—Messrs. Crawford and Company, auctioneers, by order of the mortgagee, and with the sanction of the Judge in whose Court the winding up of the above company is attached, put up to public auction yesterday afternoon the land and mill property of the above Company, situate at Parell, at the mill premises. The sale commenced by a bid of Rs. 3,01,000 from the mortgagee, Dhulputbhai Bhagoobhai, and advanced up by Rs. 1,000 at each bid, and was finally knocked down to Cokerdah Khetsey for the sum of Rs. 3,06,000. There were no other bidders besides the mortgagee and Cokerdah Khetsey; the latter is a cotton merchant, and was muccadum to the mill while it was at work.

THE PORTUGUSE IN BOMBAY.—On Saturday, the 20th inst., a lecture was delivered by Mr. Leandro Mascarenhas in connection with the Luso-Indian Institute, a literary and social society established in this city some time ago. The subject of the lecture was "The Portuguese community of Bombay." The attendance was large, comprising the *elite* of Portuguese society in Bombay. Dr. J. A. da Gama, a member of the institute, was unanimously called to the chair. The lecturer observed that the community contained all the elements necessary to progress, and that they only required more organisation, but that organisation and union could not be attained unless the leaders of the community worked to bring it about. He then pointed out certain means which could be made use of in furtherance of the object. After a few words on the same subject, by one or two members and the president, the proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the lecturer and the president, respectively.

A STEWARD'S GRIEVANCE.

CHARLES MACNAMARA, late a steward on board the British ship Principality, appeared before Mr. Ryan yesterday to claim two months' wages, 16 guineas, from Captain John Jones, the master of he ship. Mr. Roughton, of Messrs. Tobin and Roughton, appeared for the steward, and Mr. Eduljee Masani for the captain.

Mr. Roughton stated that the complainant signed articles as steward to the ship at Sunderland on the 26th October last, at £4 10s. a month. On the 18th of January the captain on his own responsibility discharged him notwithstanding the ship was still on her voyage, and now only claimed to pay him up to that time though the steward was not discharged till the 18th March. The captain's reasons were that on the 18th January the complainant refused to take charge of certain of the ship's stores and charged him with embezzlement of the same. The steward was shipped according to the rules laid down by the Board of Trade. He was not obliged to take charge of any stores foreign to his duty as steward. With regard to the alleged embezzlement, the articles in question were a pot of jam and other sundries. The key of the storeroom was with the captain with the steward's chest and the articles could not have been taken by the latter. Another grievance against Macnamara was that he had wasted the ship's time by making fancy wool pictures with the ship's material. This he denied. When the Principality arrived her the steward, who could not agree with the crew, who were Welshmen, preferred a complaint against some of them before Mr. Cooper, who referred the matter to the Shipping Master, and, acting on his advice, the steward took his discharge from the ship and next day went on board to claim his wages. The captain retained two pictures worth £9 on the ground that they were framed with wood and rails belonging to the ship. Mr. Roughton denied the captain's right to detain the pictures or to discharge him while the ship was on the voyage. The steward had not, so far as he knew, been logged for any offence; at least no entry was read over to him, and consequently the captain had no right to disrate him. 16 guineas were due to him under the Merchant Shipping Act.

Mr. Eduljee said the captain was willing to pay the complainant £6-11, all that was due to him. Every man on board, excepting the captain, pilot, and apprentices were seamen, and could be called at any time to work. According to the log book the conduct of the steward was disgraceful from the very commencement of the voyage.

Macnamara when put in the witness-box bore out the statement of Mr. Roughton, and admitted in cross-examination that two days before the vessel came into the harbour the log entries were read to him.

The captain was called and stated that the steward had neglected his duty in making fancy mats. Witness advised him not to neglect his duty. The complainant when ordered to take charge of the store-room and oil and serve it out refused to go, so.

In cross-examination, and in answer to the question of, "what was the ship's time?" said "at times and twice round the clock." He did not consider complainant incompetent. The only time witness ordered Macnamara to do seaman's duty was in the forecastle after disrating him, and he then refused. The case was adjourned for further evidence.

THE PARSEE GIRLS' SCHOOLS ASSOCIATION'S SCHOOLS.

A MEETING for the distribution of prizes and scholarships to the successful pupils attending the schools of the Parsee Girls' School's Association was held yesterday in the premises of the Bai Bhikaeejee Sh. poorjee Bengalee School in Parsee Bazar Street. Mr. Framjee Nusserwanjee Patel, the venerable chairman of the committee of management, presided; and there was a large attendance, including Parsee ladies, of the friends and supporters of the schools, and of female education generally, who were comfortably accommodated in the well-furnished hall of the school. Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, Bart., C.S.I., and the Consul General for Persia, were also present.

Mr. Feiloonjee Hormusjee, the honorary secretary, read the report for the last, which was the twenty-eighth year of the existence of the schools. In the Fort School, at the end of the year, the number of girls was 429, the average attendance being 362; in the Chandanwady School the number of girls was 229, and the average attendance 192; and in the Mazagon School, the number of girls was 55, and the average attendance 54. The total number of girls in the three schools was 723, showing an increase of 30 girls over last year. The entrance and monthly fees realised from them amounted to Rs. 5,358-8-0. For the candidates for the larger prizes and scholarships, Messrs. Jevanjee Jamsetjee Mody, B.A., Rustomjee Cursetjee Cama, B.A., and Cursetjee Muncherjee Katrell were appointed a board of examiners; while the ordinary annual examination was conducted by Messrs. Bomonjee Rustomjee Boyce, B.A., Nowrojee Cowasjee Daji, Erachjee Rustomjee Sahiyar, and Manockjee Dorabjee Adrseanvalla. Bai Pootibai Ardasir Cama and Bai Motibai Framroz Chenoy conducted the examination in sewing, cutting, and embroidery. The reports sent in by the three sets of examiners showed the working of the schools to be in a satisfactory condition. The committee record with regret the deaths of two of their number, Messrs. Cursetjee Nusserwanjee Cama and Nowrojee Furdunjee, C.I.E. During the past year Government promissory notes for Rs. 1,500 were received on the Pestonjee Hormusjee Cama, and for Rs. 500 from Mr. Cowasjee Bejoujee Caranee as contributions to the school funds. Messrs. Framjee Nusserwanjee Patel, Sorabjee Shapurjee Bengalee, Dadabhoy Bomanjee Jeejeebhoy, Jehangeer Framjee Punthakee, and a Parsee lady under the assumed name of "A Wellwisher of my Sisters," had sent books for the library of the Fort school and for distribution as prizes among the girls, for which the committee record their thanks. The most gratifying circumstance connected with the schools during the past year was the completion of the building erected by Mr. Sorabjee Shapurjee Bengalee for the Fort school, with a view to commemorate the name of his mother, at a total cost of Rs. 1,03,622, including the Government contribution. The new furniture cost the committee Rs. 2,439. The opening ceremony was performed on the 4th November 1885 by Mr. Framjee Nusserwanjee Patell. The funds in the hands of the committee amounted to Rs. 78,288-13-11.

The reading of the report was followed by the singing of songs by some of the girls under the direction of Mr. Peerozsha Dadisetjee Bastia. The girls were next examined in the principal tenets of Zoroastrianism, and acquitted themselves creditably. The chairman then distributed scholarships and prizes to the successful girls.

Mr. Sorabjee Shapoorjee Bengalee, in addressing the meeting with the permission of the chairman, remarked that, for the last two or three years, he had been noticing that a larger number of children than before left the schools without finishing their studies in the course, and hence, which were the same as before and similar in most respects to the Government standards for primary education. The committee, Mr. Sorabjee said, had done all they could to keep up these standards in their schools. (Hear, hear.) He had been told after due enquiry that the cause of children leaving the schools earlier than before was a desire on the part of parents to give their daughters an English education. Mr. Sorabjee was strongly in favour of an English education for the girls of their community (cheers); and he would recommend all parents, who had the means, not to miss the opportunity of giving their daughters a sound English education (applause), but he deplored the parental inefficiency of parents not allowing their daughters to fully complete their vernacular education, which led to their being only partially educated both in Gujrati and English. This state of things was not conducive to the girls receiving a really sound and useful education. Mr. Sorabjee therefore took this opportunity of bringing to the notice of parents the mistake a great number of them committed in removing their girls from the vernacular schools so early a period of their studies—a circumstance which, in his opinion, operated against the education of the girls even when they attended English schools. He therefore strongly implored parents and begged of them not to remove their children, whether boys or girls, from the vernacular schools until they had passed through all the seven standards, which required to be passed according to the Government rules, and which were also observed in the schools of the Association. (Applause.)

The singing of the National Anthem by the children (the whole assembly standing), and a vote of thanks to the chairman, terminated the proceedings.

BEATING A MAN TO DEATH.

YESTERDAY at the High Court, Appellate Side, before Mr. Justice Birdwood and Mr. Justice Jardine, the case of the Empress *vs.* Partap Jebba and five others was heard. The six accused were in November last tried before Mr. Motilal Choonilal, first-class Magistrate, Ahmedabad, for voluntarily causing hurt to Kalia Raiji, who died subsequently. They were all convicted of culpable homicide not amounting to murder and sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for six months each. Mr. J. W. Walker, Session Judge, Ahmedabad, was of opinion that the convictions should be set aside, and referred the case to the High Court. The deceased was beaten by a number of men with sticks during the night while in a field, and death followed soon after; and there was evidence that the death resulted from the beating, and that the attack itself was unprovoked. If there was a beating with sticks regardless of where the blows fell and an injury to the stomach, the offence of culpable homicide not amounting to murder would *prima facie* be shown; and it would be for the Session Court to determine what offence was actually constituted. On these grounds, Mr. Walker considered that the convictions should be set aside, and that the magistrate should be ordered to commit the accused persons for trial before the Sessions Court. Their Lordships, taking into consideration the recommendation of the Session Judge, had, on a previous occasion, directed notices to be served upon the accused to show cause why the magistrate's finding and sentence should not be set aside, and why they should not be committed to the Court of Session. No cause was shown within the month's time that was allowed them; and their Lordships now reversed the conviction and sentence recorded by the Magistrate, and directed him to commit the accused to the Court of Session on the charges of murder and culpable homicide.

HIGH COURT.—MARCH 25.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE BAYLEY.)
For Judgment.

3-82—Hore, C and B—Goswami Shree Girdharji Govindramjee Maharaj and another *vs* Luckmidas Bhimjee and others—Mulligan, B B—(Testamentary suit.)

Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long Causes.

81-84—J C Cama—Jivibai and others *vs* Hussombhoy Mehrajaly and another—Hore, C & B—Part heard.
400-85—Ardesir, H and D—The New Fleming S and W Co *vs* Lukhumsey Laljee and others—Chalk and W, P G and S, L J F and N, and Lang, B.

Testamentary and intestate Jurisdiction.

6-85—Payne, G and S—Kajbai, widow, *vs* Dhunbai, widow, and another—Ardesir, H and D.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE SCOTT.)
Suits for hearing and final disposal.

435-84—Hore, C and B—M F de Souza *vs* E P V de Souza—Winter and B.—Part heard.
307-84—Nemchand H—Ambabai *vs* Shaik Ismailji Jewahboy and others—Tyabji and D.
3-85—Macfarlane and E—Fuckeerchund Ghelabhoy and others *vs* Dhunoonund Manockchund and others—Jefferson, B and D.
402-84—Little, S, F and N—Navivow *vs* Nundoo Meghji and others—Tyabji and D, and Hore, C, and B.
230 83—Tyabjee and D—Juosub Abdulla and others *vs* Ameerudin bin Mahomed Hossein Khutifa and others—M H Khan and T H Pearse.
505-85—Payne, G and S—Haji Moosa Adum *vs* Zulikabai and others—Khunderao M.

(Before the Hon. Sir WILLIAM WEDDERBURN.)
Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long Causes.

489-85—Khunderao M—Heerjee Khimjee and another *vs* Nowjee Premjee and another—Scott, C and B. Part heard.
428-85—Little, S, F and N—Ootumchund Bechardas *vs* Sha Kalidas Govindjee and others—Nanu and H.
428-85—Jefferson, B and D—Ramatbai and another *vs* Manchabai and others—Romonjee and H.
497-85—Ardesir and H—Feroshaw Pallonjee *vs* Pallonjee Pestonjee and another—Nanu and H.
8-86—Hore, C and B—Haji Meera bin Bailoo Meya, &c, *vs* Walia Futtay and others—Tyabji and D.
9-86—Jamrdhen D—Vishvanath Damodher *vs* Raghunath Dameodher and others—Bicknell and K.
12-86—Jefferson, B and D—Ootumchund Manockchund *vs* Gangadhur Yeshwant—Tyabji and D.
13-86—Mirza, H K—For pauper—Tricum Meghji *vs* Dewsey Gopal—C E Milvain.
14-86—In person—Jado Meya Noor Mahomed *vs* Guja Dewa—Tyabji and D.

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BOMBAY TOWN COUNCIL.

YESTERDAY at the weekly meeting Dr. Cook presided, and there were present:—Colonels Merewether and Portman, Captain Morland, Dr. Peterson, Messrs. Grattan Geary, Nanabhoy B. Jeejeebhoy, Dadabhai Nowrozj, Dosabhoy Framjee, R. M. Sayani, M. N. Banaji, and R. N. Khote.

THE IRON WORK FOR THE TANSA PROJECT.

The Municipal Commissioner submitted the following memorandum respecting the tenders received for the supply of iron work for the Tansa of project:—

In response to advertisements published simultaneously in Bombay and England, seven tenders have been received. The total iron work required will aggregate about 45,800 tons, and of this quantity 36,400 tons are required for straight 42-inch pipes alone, so that the relative position of each tender will practically be determined by reference to this one principal item. The rates per ton for this item are as follow:—

	£	s.	d.	
1.	8	9	6	No rupee rate given.
2.	7	15	0	Do. do.
3.	9	12	1	or Rs. 93 6 0
4.	8	9	6	or ,, 99 12 0
5.	8	4	0	or ,, 93 4 0
6.	6	3	7	or ,, 84 12 0
7.	5	15	0	or ,, 80 15 0

All the tenders are from firms of good repute.

The following is a detailed comparison of the two (Nos. 6 and 7), which show the lowest rates:—

Tender No. 7.	Straight pipes as per Schedule A.	Probable amount.	£	s.	d.	169,600	0	0	31,800	17	6	10,621	17	6	1,623	0	0	213,645	15	0
	Rate.		£	s.	d.	5	15	0	5	19	3	6	0	0	0	15	0			
Tender No. 6.	Straight pipes as per Schedule A.	Probable amount.	£	s.	d.	175,168	6	5	33,359	7	0	11,143	19	2	1,356	5	0	221,437	4	7
	Rate.		£	s.	d.	6	3	7	6	7	1	6	7	5	12	6	6			
Items.						Straight pipes as per Schedule A delivered at Kurla			Straight pipes as per Schedule A delivered at Bhandup			Curved pipes, &c., as per Schedule B, delivered at Kurla			Curved pipes, &c., as per Schedule B, delivered at Bhandup			Total		

This comparison shows a result in favour of Tender No. 7 over Tender No. 6 of £14,888, or taking the equivalent in rupees at the rates of exchange offered by the tenderers themselves, of Rs. 1,07,634.

Tender No. 7 is, therefore, clearly the lowest, and as the tenderers, Messrs. McFarlane, Strang and Co., are acknowledged to be firms of unquestionable reputation, I propose, with the sanction of the Town Council to accept this tender.

I propose to accept sterling rates in preference to rupee rates, as the tenderer to guard himself has not unnaturally taken a very low rate of exchange, *viz.*, 1s. 5 3-8d.

Approximately the supply of iron work, amounts given in sterling, will be required as follows:—

	£
Up to the end of the Monsoon of 1887 ...	52,000
,, ,, ,, 1888 ...	104,000
,, ,, ,, 1889 ...	56,000
,, ,, ,, 1890 ...	58,849

Now taking the first year's quantity alone, and it is impossible to arrive at any forecast of exchange beyond the first year, the amount payable will be at the Tenderer's rupee rate Rs. 7,32,100, whereas at the rate which we can always realise on sterling, on local Banks, the amount is not likely to be more (as I have already ascertained) than Rs. 6,99,500. Thus by this procedure, there will be an advantage to the Municipality on the first year's transaction of Rs. 32,600, which at any rate at present is reason for anticipating that we should occupy a worse position by following the same procedure for the operations of the following years up to the termination of the contract. It may be remembered that a similar course was followed in paying for the iron work supplied for the Tulsi project.

It only remains that I should contrast the result of the lowest tender with the financial provision made in the original estimate which accompanied my report of the 13th October last. The aggregate amount of the tender is as already stated £236,849, which sum converted into rupees at a rate of 1s. 5d. or 1s. 9d. will stand respectively at Rs. 33,20,103, and Rs. 36,97,993. The financial provision in the estimate (*exclusive* of establishment charges and 10 per cent. contingencies) is Rs. 46,80,000, but this sum was intended to cover also the cost of the pipe track and the pipe laying. For this we took Rs. 8,06,987, or Rs. 10,73,014, according as the more or less favourable rate of exchange be adopted, and there appears to be no doubt in the mind of the Executive Engineer or the Consulting Engineer—with both of whom I have discussed the question—that the margin thus available, even in the less favourable contingency, will suffice for the completion of all the work contemplated.

The cash thus obtained will be available as a set-off against possible future losses in the event of exchange falling below 1s. 5 3-8d. It must at the same time be borne in mind that those who take a gloomy view of the future of silver do not anticipate a fall of more than 1s. 5d., whilst on the other hand there are many possibilities connected with the action of America and countries in Europe that might lead to a very decided reaction in silver and exchange during the term which this contract will cover.

E. C. K. OLLIVANT,
Municipal Commissioner.
March 23rd, 1886.

Dr. Peterson would like to ask the opinion of the Council as to the wisdom of contracting debts in sterling; it did not seem to him a prudent proceeding. Another point was whether they should enter into a deliberate speculation in exchange. They might estimate how many rupees they had in their pockets, but when they took the loans in gold they were launched on the sea of exchange.

The Municipal Commissioner quite agreed that the matter required very careful consideration; but he drew attention to the fact that they had an actual saving the first year of Rs. 32,600 on the tenderer's rupee-rate by accepting the rate in sterling, and they had no reason for supposing exchange would set in for the worst, whereas it might become very much better.

Mr. Jadabhai Nowrozji remarked that, although they had an advantage for the first year, the three following years would of course be a speculation.

Mr. Khote: If we accept the tender in rupees we make a certain loss.

Mr. Geary observed that the first year's saving of Rs. 32,000 would give the Council a sum to guarantee themselves against any subsequent loss that might accrue. Exchange was not likely to go below the margin the tenderer was prepared to charge, though it might fluctuate thoughout the year, and the Council could ensure themselves better against the probability of loss if they kept this first year's saving in their pockets. Mr. Geary accordingly proposed the acceptance of the tender of Messrs. McFarlane, Strang & Co. at the sterling rates given in the tabular statement of the Municipal Commissioner, and that the Commissioner be authorised to make the arrangements proposed by him therein for the first year rates of exchange.

This was seconded by Captain Morland.

The Municipal Commissioner said the position of the Council in accepting the low rupee-rates of the tenderer might be compared to that of a man who knew he might be hanged at the end of a year, preferring to commit suicide at once. (Laughter)

Dr. Peterson abstained from moving an amendment. He had desired to elicit the opinion of the business men of the Town Council, but he still believed the Council to be following the wrong course. With regard to Mr. Geary's contention that the rupee might fluctuate, but would not permanently fall below the margin, Dr. Peterson thought no one would be at all surprised if the rupee dropped to 1s. 4d.

The Chairman: The whole matter hinges on the relative value of silver and gold, and no amount of discussion will make the master clearer on the value of silver more certain. It did not follow that the principle laid down by Dr. Peterson would be workable.

Mr. Geary: To put it in another way, what we are asked to do is to give rupees at the price of 1s. 5d., the present rate being within a fraction of eighteenpence, to guarantee ourselves against a further loss with the possibility that the rupee might go down to 1s. 4d. It is likely to descend to 1s. 5 3-8d., but that will be about the limit. It is quite unlikely to descend to 1s.4d., and by consenting to pay a penny in the rupee we deprive ourselves of the chances in the market.

The resolution was carried *nem. con.*

AT THE MERCY OF THE MILKSELLERS.

The Chairman had given notice that he should again bring forward the question raised at the last meeting of the Corporation regarding the quality of the milk supply of Bombay and the measures which might be taken for its improvement. He found on reference to sec. 244 of the Act that by some extraordinary oversight it had been rendered inoperative, and although intended to give the Municipal Commissioner or the Health Officer power to inspect and report by the omission of the line "or are not what the seller represents them to be" in the latter part of the clause, it had been rendered of no effect. By this omission, although the Commissioner might seize the articles of food, drink, or medicine adulterated, the clause did not give any power to deal with or destroy them, or that the seller might be punished. This had left the Health Officer incapable of dealing with the article of milk, and that officer informed him nothing could be done whilst the Act stood as it was at present, although 30 or 40 per cent. of water had been added to the milk. The necessary words were included in the new Municipal Bill.

Dr. Peterson: Has not the Health Officer power to seize the milk and water when sold as milk?

The Chairman: But what is he to do with it when he seizes it?

Colonel Portman: Throw it away.

The Chairman: That right does not follow, and this is the point I wish to show.

Dr. Peterson: Was not the omission from the old Act intentional?

The Chairman replied that at the time it was considered too great a power would be put in the hands of the executive, and the words were therefore intentionally left out. The omission unfortunately had had the result of preventing any action. The Corporation proposed some years ago to amend the section by introducing the words "or is not what it is represented to be," but meanwhile matters had stood over until the new Act came into force.

On the motion of Mr. Geary, a resolution was adopted stating that the attention of the Council having been called to the fact that there was no effective provision in the present Act to allow of the prosecution of persons selling adulterated milk, provision should be made as early as possible for dealing with such offenders.

THE FIRE AT PINJRAPOLE.

The Municipal Commissioner presented a report from the Commissioner of Police inspecting the fire which took place at Pinjrapole, 1st Lane, with a copy of his letter addressed to Kahn Bahadur Telephone Company respecting the delay of the Market exchange to give a reply when rung up during the early morning. It appeared that the operator was unable to give any satisfactory explanation and that he had either fallen asleep or neglected his work. As the offence was of such very great gravity, the company had, in the interests of the service and as a warning to the other operators, summarily dismissed the operator at fault.

The Council then adjourned.

THE BOMBAY AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY.

THE annual meeting of this Society was held on Tuesday evening at its premises in Kalbadevi Road. The Hon. Mr. Justice Birdwood presided, and there was a large attendance of missionaries and others interested in the work of the Society. We give below an abstract from the report for the year 1885 which was submitted to the meeting:—

The Committee of the Bombay Auxillary Bible Society lay before its friends a Report of the year's operations, with thankfulness to the great Head of the Church for His continued favour. Considering the indifference of the people among whom our work is carried on, and even that of Christians generally, we have great reason to be gratified at the results which have been accomplished. We rejoice at them, but without feeling that they have been wrought by us. It is with sincere pleasure that we are able to report that nearly thirty thousand Bibles and Scripture portions have been sold during the past year, a number about one-third in excess of that disposed of during the previous year. This improvement is due, only in part, to the fact that our corps of colporteurs has been largely increased. The sales from the Bombay Depôt alone have been forty-one per cent. better than in 1884. It has always been a matter of regret that the cost of selling the publications of the Society was so great. As the number of books sold increases, this difficulty becomes less and less manifest; and in time, we hope that no ground whatever for complaint may remain. Eight years ago, fifteen hundred and ninety-three books, large and small, were sold by the colporteurs of this Society, and it cost twelve annas a copy, or a penny to sell these books. It now costs us one anna and a half dispose of each copy sold by our colporteurs. As may be seen from the details of the Report this improvement is largely due to the sale of cheap books, such as the pice Gospels in the vernacular, and of the penny English New Testaments, which are issued in large numbers. We rejoice that the Word of God, which is able to make wise unto salvation, is being widely scattered and read. May the Holy Spirit bless this work to the salvation of multitudes in this heathen land. The Committee have to record with deep regret the deaths, during the year, of Mr. Chrystal, who had been a member of the Committee for seven years, and of Mr. Shahu Daji Kukade, a member for eighteen years of the Marathi Translation Sub-Committee. Mr. Chrystal took a deep interest in the operations of the Society. In 1868 Mr. Shahu Daji assisted in carrying through the press an edition of the four Gospels and Acts in Balbodh, consisting of 2,000 copies, and in 1870 an edition of 5,000 copies of the Gospel of Mark in Modi (was printed under his superintendence. He also rendered valuable help as a member of the Marathi Old Testament Revision Committee. Colonel Van Heythuysen, the late President of the Auxiliary, Lieutenant-Colonel Sparks, a member of the General Committee, the Rev. Mr. Rhea, a member of the Gujarati Translation Sub-Committee, and the Rev. R. A. Hume, a member of the Marathi Translation Sub-Committee, were followed in quick succession during the year. Colonel Van Heythuysen and Lieutenant-Colonel Sparks have left finally; the others are expected to return. In March the Hon H. M. Birdwood was elected Vice-President of this Society, the Rev. J. E. Abbott a member of the Marathi Translation Sub-Committee, Mr. Jackson a member of the Sub-Committee on Finance, and the Rev. R. A. Squires, the Rev. A. B. Watson, and the Rev. J. Forgan, members of Colportage Committee. The Committee are glad to be able to report the return to this country of the Rev. Messrs. Campbell and Greig. The Committee desire to place on record the expression of their heartfelt sympathy with the Committee of the Parent Society in the great bereavement it has sustained during the year, by the death of their late highly esteemed and venerable President, the Earl of Shaftesbury.

Besides the grant of Scriptures, of the value of £311-15-5, the Parent Society gave us, last year, 200 reams of double demy paper of the value of £1-8-2-9, and a money grant of £789 in aid of the printing and general operations of this Auxiliary. The Committee have to tender their warm thanks to the Parent Committee for the liberal grants of paper, Scriptures, and money made by them from year to year, for the carrying on of the work of this Auxiliary. The number of copies of scriptures and portions of issued during the year from the Society's Depôt in Bombay amounted to 28,021. The issues in 1884 numbered 22,673. There have been sold 29,801 copies and portions. The number sold in 1885 was more than the number sold in the previous year by 8,687 copies. The increase in the sales consisted mainly of separate one pice Gospels and the Book of Proverbs in Marathi, and copies of one anna English New Testament. The Scriptures sold were in the languages of India. In a letter dated the 14th September, the Rev. Mr. Sharp, Secretary of the Parent Society, intimated that the Parent Committee had agreed to give yearly £150 in aid of colportage in connection with this Auxiliary, and expressed a hope that the grant may enable this Committee to greatly extend its colportage work. This it has enabled us to do. As our report shows, 7 of our 17 colporteurs have been taken on during the past year. The proceeds of Scriptures sold during the year amounted to Rs. 3,016-2-10; of this amount Rs. 2,238-14-9 were realised by sales from the Bombay Depôt. The contributions for the year amounted to Rs. 1,435-4-5. The total receipts for the year, including the balance of last year brought forward, amounted to Rs. 14,860-3-5. The total expenditure was Rs. 9,960-10-5. The Committee are indebted to Mr. Jackson for having audited the accounts of the past year month by month. They have also to express their gratitude to the Rev. Messrs. Beaumont, Bruce, Macartney, Ferris, Tedford, Goheen, Gates, Hume, Builder, Taylor, Dr. Cochell, and Dr. Bissell, for having so kindly made, during the year, collections at their respective stations in aid of the funds of the Society. The Committee earnestly pray that the blessing of God may attend the large circulation of His Word reported above.

The Rev. Dr. Mackichan moved the adoption of the report. He said it was an universal complaint with regard to the reports of all societies, and especially of religious societies, that they were seldom they found, sure enough, his store, a jar full of Dakianus's coins. The then owner of the house protested and claimed the house and coins as his, and eventually both the men and the coins were taken before the king. When the king, who was a Christian, heard the man's story and found he had been asleep for 309 years he looked on the man as supernatural, and offered to resign the throne in his favour. The man declined, and stated that all he wished was to be allowed to rejoin his companions in the cave. The king thereupon accompanied him. With the king were a hawk and a dog; and a deer being started on the road was caught by these two and brought in, thus making a third animal in the party. On arrival at the cave, not only the original six friends, the Altai Azizan, and the shepherd, but the king and the dog and the hawk and the deer all went off to sleep, and never woke again for some 700 years, when they were awoke by the arrival of the *chahar yar*, or the four friends of the prophet, *i.e.*, Omar, Osman, Abubakar, and Ali, who, repeating the Mahomedan creed, at once awoke the sleepers. The latter got up, repeated the creed, and then fell asleep again, and there they still remain. All this was told me by the Sayeds in the cave, and they pointed triumphantly to the relics in proof of their story. Holding our lighted candles between the palings of the wooden screen which debars nearer approach to the sleepers, we were shown some cloths on the floor, apparently a rough common sheet with a dark-coloured fringed cloth above it, which was said to cover the sleepers. We asked if it was allowed to look under the cloth, but that they said was impossible. Even they themselves, they said, knew not what was there. One man had once tried to look, and was immediately struck blind; but that if we doubted, there (pointing in the direction) was the dog and the deer and the hawk."

FLORILINE!—FOR THE TEETH AND BREATH.—A few drops of the liquid "Floriline" sprinkled on a wet tooth-brush produces a pleasant lather which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all parasites or impurities, hardens the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives to the teeth a peculiar pearly whiteness, and a delightful fragrance to the breath. It removes all unpleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. The "Fragrant Floriline," being composed in part of honey, is perfectly harmless, is delicious to the taste, and the greatest toilet discovery of the age. Price 2s. 6d., of all Chemists and Perfumers throughout the world. Sold wholesale by the Anglo-American Drug Company, Limited, 33, Farringdon-road, London.

The past year has been particularly prosperous for the Bombay Book and Tract Society. The sales in every Department of our work show a decided increase over those of any previous year. We thankfully look back on seven years of steady increase, and note that the sales for 1885 are more than double those of 1879, or of any Indian branch of the R. T. S. during the past year. The publication of the Revised Bible helped to swell the figures. No less than 340 copies, of the value of Rs. 2,618, were issued on the day of arrival. We cannot but hope that an increased interest in the study of the Scriptures has attended the sale. During the year the C. V. E. S. withdrew their support from our Colportage work; but the Society continued all the twelve agents employed at the beginning of the year, though their maintenance has been a heavy burden on our funds. If the various Missionary Societies would undertake the work of circulating our tracts and books we should be able to devote the money now spent on their circulation to the publication of new works. We would draw special attention to Mr. Fuller's letter on this subject. During the year our Committee have lost through death the services of two faithful friends, *viz.*, Messrs. P. Chrystal and Shahu Daji Kukade. And two other members have left this country after many years of active interest in our work, *viz.*, Dr. Partridge and Col. Van Heythuysen. It is with much regret that we record the fact that Mr. Grieve, who has been our able secretary for the past five years, has been obliged to retire from the post as he is returning to England on furlough. Mr. Gordon, our energetic superintendent, is still with us, and he is well seconded in his work by his assistant, Mr. Ellias. Mr. Aaron, our vernacular salesman, continues to discharge his duties most satisfactorily. In our circulation of periodicals we have had special help from the Rev. W. Bowser, of Kurrachee, both at his own station and various places visited by him last November in Afghanistan. The Rev. R. Janney, of Igatpuri, has also been able to sell English books and Scripture text-cards on the G. I. P. Railway to the extent of several hundreds of rupees. During the year we have added greatly to our stock. Our imports from April to December being—Books Nett, £1,117 12 7; Periodicals Nett, £322 7; Stationery £449 3; total, £1,889 2.

We have found our accommodation insufficient, and have added new fittings which, besides their use, add greatly to the appearance of the Depôt. *Grants.*—We have not been asked for many special grants of books during the past year, but we have distributed 25,300 English and 200 French, German, and other t

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MARCH 24.

CONSOLS in London yesterday were ⅛ lower, again 100⅜, and as money remains unaltered, we may presume that the unsettled state of Political affairs may be credited with causing this reaction, as also with the numerous fluctuations which have taken place within the past ten days. The 3½ per cent. Indian Sterling Loan remains unchanged, although with Bar Silver quoted 1-16d. lower again, Rupee Paper is higher by ⅛ in Fours, and 1-16 in Fours-and-a-half.

In the General Produce markets no change is wired, except in Wheat, which is quoted 2d. per cental higher in Liverpool and 3d. per quarter better in London for No. 2 Club, to arrive via Cape.

Cotton in Liverpool yesterday, Reuter says, closed steady, with sales of 8,000 bales, but the figures otherwise rather belie the tone, as spot quotations slow a decline of 1-16d. in all grades of Oomras, while for arrivals, Americans, March-April delivery, are called unquotable, and distant positions 1-64d. lower. From New York ready Mid-Uplands come 1-16 cent lower, while Futures are only reduced one point, although the receipts are free. The following gives the comparison with the three previous seasons :—

	1886.	1885.	1884.	1883.
Tuesday's Receipts	13,000	5,000	7,000	13,000
Four days do.	36,000	13,000	25,000	40,000
Total since 1st Sept.	4,705,000	4,510,000	4,540,000	5,273,000

So far as new business goes, the trade has been perfectly stagnant to-day, and nominally prices might be quoted Re. 1 to Rs. 2 per candy lower. A large number of transactions, however, have taken place in the way of settling contracts maturing to-morrow, and this, from the character of the business this season, will probably be a prominent feature as the 25th of each month comes round.

WHEAT is unchanged, the rise reported by Reuter from Liverpool being more properly a correction than an actual movement. For ready lots of old stuff there is an inquiry to complete shipments, but transactions in new crop have been quite insignificant, both buyers and sellers seeming indisposed to push business.

LINSEED is easier both in tone and price now that this month's deliveries seem likely to be met without any actual squeeze. Ready we quote Rs. 6-5, for May Rs. 6-2 per cwt., rail delivery.

FREIGHTS are quiet but pretty steady. A large steamer is reported to have been fixed for ready loading, open charter, at 21s. 3d. Linseed has been booked from London at 16s. 3d. by the City of Canterbury, and engagements have been made for Dunkirk ready at 21s. 3d. Seed or Wheat. For middle of April loading, Wheat has been engaged for Hull at 20s., and May shipment for Marseilles at 22s. 6d. Current ready rates to-day are :—

	Ready	Cotton.
Liverpool	,,	22s. 6d.
London	,,	19s. 9d. to 20s.
Open Charter	,,	21s. 3d. to 22s.
Havre	,,	22s. 6d.
Dunkirk	,,	22s. 0d. to 22s. 6d.
Antwerp	,,	21s. 3d. to 22s. 6d.
Marseilles	,,	21s. 3d.
Trieste, Venice	,,	22s. 9d. at 2s. ex.

EXCHANGE although steady has been inactive to a degree to-day. We have scarcely heard of a transaction of any importance, and there is if actually no decline in rates certainly no firmness. Ready bills are :—

Bank Bills on demand	1s. 5 15-16d.	per Rupee.
Do Telegraphic	1s. 5 29-32d.	,,
Do. 3 months' sight	1s. 6d.	,,
Credits, 3 months' sight	1s. 6¼d.	,,
Francs 3 months' sight	1. 91	,,

GOVERNMENT PAPER still shows considerable steadiness. Fours ready have improved to Rs. 97 12-16, and for April delivery are quoted at Rs. 97¾.

SHARES :—Spinning and Weaving Mills are quiet all round, and in some few instances Rs. 5 lower. Press companies are also occasionally easier. Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Mines are nominally quoted at Rs. 16¼ per share.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steam-ship Bhownuggur, 108 tons, Nacoda, arrived in harbour yesterday from Bhownuggur, with a general cargo and 49 deck passengers.

THE steam-ship Brankelow, 1,660 tons, Captain D Stewart, sailed yesterday for Genoa and Marseilles with a general cargo and Mr Weber and 4 deck passengers.

THE steam-ship Algoma, 1,892 tons, Capt. Jas. Ranton, sailed yesterday for Havre with a general cargo and the following passengers :—Lt. and Mrs Tremougert, Miss Bristed, and Master Piper.

THE B I S N Co's steam-ship Chanda, 1,304 tons Captain J R. Gavin, sailed yesterday for Coasts and Calcutta with a general cargo and the following passengers :—Mr Wylie, Mr Edwin Winterson, John Hiran and 5 deck.

THE steam-ship Wingate, 1,356 tons, Captain J. Thompson, arrived in harbour yesterday from Middlesbrough (18th Feb), with a cargo of railway materials. The vessel is consigned to the captain.

THE Hall Line steam-ship Werneth Hall, 2,690 tons, Captain T Collins, arrived in harbour yesterday from Liverpool (24th Feb), with a general cargo and the following passengers :—Miss Anderson and Mr and Mrs Moffat.

VESSELS IN THE PRINCE'S DOCK.

24TH MARCH.

Vessels.	Net Tonnage.	Captains.	Sheds.	Company or Agents.
S.S. Algoma	1892	Jas. Ranton	H	James Mackintosh & Co.
,, City of Canterbury	2090	A. B. Gray	P	Sir Charles Forbes & Co.
,, Darien	1780	H. B. Beard	E	James Mackintosh & Co.
,, Clan Gordon	1334	N. Harrison	F	Finlay Muir&Co
,, Britania	3069	F. Blight	B	W & A Graham.
,, Peveril	1794	A. Burgess	L	Killick Nixon & Co.
,, Sam Weller	964	Murray	A	James Mackintosh & Co.
,, C. Graham	1911	J. White	G	Finlay Muir&Co
,, Assam	3037	W. J. Nantes	D	P & O Company.
,, Empress	1431	W. Smith	—	Wallace & Co.
,, F.Primaveli	1066	A. D. Rey	—	James Mackintosh & Co.
,, Australasian	2303	Simpson	—	Finlay, Muir & Co.
,, Khalif	1491	A. Nash	—	Finlay, Muir & Co.
,, Werneth Hall	2690	T. Collins	—	.....

ARRIVALS.

Mar.	Vessels.	Commander.	From.
24	Wingate (s)	Thompson	Middlesborough.
	Werneth Hall (s).	Collins	Liverpool, Feb. 24.
	Bhownuggur (s)	Nacoda	Bhownuggur.
	H. M. S. Malabar.	Pagete	Portsmouth.

DEPARTURES.

Mar.	Vessels.	Commander	Destination.
24	H. M. S. Crocodile	Carr	England.
	Carlton Tower (s).	Knudsen	Marseilles.
	Lilburn Tower (s).	Power	Trieste and Venice.
	Sorrento (s)	Rogers	Hull.
	Algoma (s)	Ranton	Havre.
	Brankelow (s)	Stewart	Genoa & Marseilles
	Chanda (s)	Gavin	Coasts and Calcutta.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday :—
Steamer Agra, for Coasts and Calcutta
,, Mobile, for Persian Gulf.
,, Bhownuggur, for Bhownuggur.

MADRAS.

Mar.	ARRIVAL.	
20	Kohinur (s)	Bombay.
Mar.	DEPARTURES.	
20	Lemuria (s)	Cocoanada,
21	Kohinur (s)	Rangoon.
	Priam (s)	London.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—MARCH 20.

Williams, Lt, BI, 3rd Dr Gds, on leave, from Muttra.

MARCH 21.

Barton, Capt, By R A, from Ferozepore.

MARCH 22.

Alexander, Lt, By R A, on leave, from Kirkee.
Godfrey, Lt, By 24th Regt N I, to join, from Kirkee.
Scoudbach, Lt, By, the King's Own, to join, from Poona.
Stock, Surg-Maj, Ms M S, on sick leave, from Burmah.

MARCH 23.

Barnett, Lt, By 3rd Lt Cavy, on leave, to Neemuch.
Carter, Maj, 10th By L I, on privilege leave, from Bhuj.
Bailey, Col, 24th Ms Infy, on leave, from Kamptee.

MARCH 24.

Nelson, Lt, Bo Comt Dept, on sick leave, from Neemuch.
Pinkerton, Dy Surg Gl, Bo I M S, on privilege leave, from Kurrachee.
Murray, Lt-Col, BI R A, on leave, from Meerut.

DEPARTURES.—MARCH 21.

Hart, Major, R E, on duty, to Nasick.

MARCH 23.

Reed, Lt, Bo. Lanc Fus, on duty, to Nusserabad.

MARCH 24.

Wylie, Lt, Ms 1st Cavy H C on leave, to Travancore.
Carter, Lt, Bo Comt, on duty, to Poona.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE CORPS.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS,

By Lieut.-Col. the Hon. L. H. Bayley, Comdt., B. V. R. C.

Bombay, 25th March, 1886.

The Regiment, including the Mounted Rifles, will parade on Saturday next, the 27th instant, for the annual inspection by the Brigadier-General Commanding the District. Fall in in front of the Gymkhana at 4-30 p.m. Red uniform, with helmets, arms and accoutrements, to be worn. All members who are unable to attend must furnish a medical certificate, or apply for leave. Members are reminded that the capitation grant cannot be drawn for those who are absent without leave from the annual inspection parade. Recruits who have not been supplied with red uniform are requested to attend in white.

Members are again reminded that class-firing will cease on the 31st inst; it is therefore requested that all will do their utmost to complete on or before the above date. Those who cannot go to Coorla should attend at Colaba on the following days :—Friday 26th, Monday 29th, and Wednesday 31st instant.

The Mounted Rifles will parade on the afternoon of Friday, the 26th inst., at 5-30. Riding school and dismounted drill, with carbines and blank ammunition, for all members on the mornings of Thursday and Friday, the 25th and 26th inst., at 6-30, and in addition for those not dismissed on the morning of Friday, the 24th inst. Members are reminded that the Troop will be inspected on the afternoon of Saturday, the 27th instant.

There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Rifle Association at Quartermaster Soundy's on Monday next, the 29th inst., at 5-30 p.m.

Vol. Gerrard, C. Company, is granted 15 days' leave of absence from this date. Vol. F. White, B. Company, is granted 7 days' leave of absence from this date.

Vol. A. E. Gordon having joined is taken on the strength of the Corps from this date and posted to D. Company.

By order,
H. HODGKINSON, Capt.,
Adjutant, B. V. R. C.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ORDERS.

(Gazette of India.)

SURVEY OF INDIA.

Mr P A G Cowley, Survr, 1st Grade, Survey of India, is granted furlough under Sec 123 of the Civil Leave Code, for 15 months, from such date as he may avail himself of it.

BANK OF BENGAL.

The Directors have made the following changes in the Bank's Estabt :—

Mr W Craw on return from short leave, has resumed charge of the Benares Branch

Mr D E Burne to be Actg Acct at Bombay. Mr A K Leslie to be Actg Agent at Patna, vice Mr H F Freshwater, who has been granted 8 months' leave to Europe.

AGENT TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL FOR CENTRAL INDIA.

Lieut-Col C Grant, Cantt. Magist, Neemuch, is granted privilege leave for 3 months, from 30th Mar 1886, or such subsequent date as he may avail himself of it.

DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF RAILWAYS.

The Jhansi-Manikpur State Railway having been made over to the Indian Midland Railway Company, the following officers are transferred in the interests of the public service :—

Mr R W L Toozs, Asst Engr, 1st Grade, to the Bellary-Kistna State Railway.

Mr P H Cresswell, Asst Engr, 1st Grade, to the Bellary-Kistna State Railway.

Mr J N D La Touche, Asst Engr, 1st Grade, to the Bellary-Kistna State Railway.

Mr P W Dangerfield, Exec Engr, 2nd Grade, is transferred, in the interests of the public service, rom the Sind-Sagar State Railway to the Office of he Dir Genl of Railways.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Bgde-Surg C J J Jackson, M D, to be Depy Surg-Geni, with temporary rank during the absence on leave of Depy Surg-Genl A J Dale, M B. Dated 4th Mar 1886.

2nd Punjab Cavalry—Lieut Jenkins Jones, Welsh Regt, a probationer for the B S C, to be Offg Squad Officer, on probation, in the vacancy caused by the appointment of Maj E A Money to the Queen's Own Corps of Guides. Dated 11th Feb 1886.

The undermentioned officers are granted furlough out of India, with the necessary subsidiary leave :—

Col Sir R G Sandeman, K C S I, B S C, Readt. 2nd Class Agent to the Govr-Genl in Beluchistan, (p a) for 1 year and 217 days.

Col J Miller, B S C, Comdt, Bhopal Battn, (u p a) or 182 days.

Col W Gordon, B S C, Dist Supdt of Police 2nd Grade, offg 1st Grade, Beni (p a), for 243 days.

Lieut-Col C L Prendergast, Geni List Infy (p a) for 273 days.

Maj and Brevet-Col R. F. C. A. Tytler, Genl List Infy, Depy Judge Advocate (m c) for 245 days

Maj W M Campbell, R A, Comsy of Ordnance, 2nd Class (m c), for 182 days.

Maj J L Macpherson, R E, Exec Engr 1st Grade, sub pro tem N-W P and Oudh, P W D (p a) for 273 days.

Maj J R M Cullagh, R E, Depy Supdt, 4th Grade, offg 3rd Grade Survey of India (m c) for 1 year

Depy Surg-Geni A J Dale M B (m c) for 130 days the period up to 30th June 1886

Surg-Maj H B Purves (m c) for 1 year and 5 days

Col T F O Rochfort, Cavy Supdt of Reserve Depot, Army Remount Dept, is granted furlough in and out of India (p a) for 2 years.

Under the provisions of the Royal Warrant of the 10th Nov 1881 the name of Col A K Comber, B S C, is placed on the list of Maj-Genls on the Indian Gradation List in consequence of Maj-Genl L W Buck, B S C, having become supernumerary on the effective list of the Indian Army from the 14th Jan 1886

Col George Fergus Graham, B S C, is permitted to retire from the service from 10th Apl

Surg-Maj James Keily M D, has been permitted to retire from the service from 12th Mar

MILITARY WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Col G E L S Sandford, R E, is appointed Inspr-Genl of Mily Works with rank of Chief Engr 3rd class *special*.

Col Sandford took over charge of his duties from Maj Genl J J Mcleod Innes, V C, R E, on the afternoon of the 15th Mar 1886.

Mr John Corbett Guthrie DuPlat Taylor has been appointed by the Secy of State for India a 3rd Grade officer in the Indian Marine from the 18th Nov 1885.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Mr W Beechery, Apprentice Engr, State Railways, is promoted to Asst Engr 3rd Grade from 6th Mar 1886.

Mr H A D Wathen, Depy Examiner of Accets, is transferred from the Office of the Examiner of P W A, C P, to that of the Examr of Accts, C P State Railways.

The services of Capt G P C Onslow, R E, Asst Principal, Thomason College, are replaced at the disposal of the Mily Dept from 29th Oct 1886.

The services of Col G A Craster, R E, Supdg Engr 1st class N W P and Oudh, are placed at the disposal of the Mily Dept, from 11th Mar 1886.

Mr C Sowerby, Offg Auditor and Examr of Accts, Assam Railways and Trading Company, is appointed to officiate as Depy Examiner of Railway Accounts, Assam, with the temporary rank of Depy Examr, 2nd Grade, from the date that he relinquished charge of the duties of Jt Auditor and Examr of Accts, Assam Railyays and Trading Company,

Mr W K Stent, Exec Engr, 2nd Grade, sub pro tem, State Railway, is appointed to officiate as Engr-in-Chief of the Bellary-Kistna and Cuddapah-Nellore State Railway, from 1st March 1886, and until relieved by Mr H C D LaTouche.

The services of Mr W C Rennie, Exec Engr, 1st Grade, State Railways, are placed at the disposal of the Indian Midland Railway Company.

Lieut-Col S S Jacob, B C C, Exec Engr, 1st Grade, Rajputana, employed under the Jeypore State, is appointed to officiate as Supdg Engr, and Secy to the Agent to the Govr-Genl for Rajputana in the P W D, in addition to his own duties under the Jeypore State, with the temporary rank of Supdg Engr, 3rd Class, during the absence on furlough of Maj W G Cumming, R E, or until further orders.

With reference to P W Notification No 55, dated the 4th Mar 1886, Mr V Rigby, Exec Engr, 1st Grade, State Railway, is appointed to act as Supdt of Way and Works, N-W Railway, Punjab, Sect, during the absence of Mr R T Mallet on especial duty, or until further orders.

The following promotions are made in the Superior Accts Estabt:—

Capt E A Waller, R E, from Examr, 4th Class, 3rd Grade, temporary rank to be Examr, 4th Class, 3rd Grade, *sub pro tem*, from 11th Jan 1886

Mr E A Lee, from Depy Examr, 2nd Grade, to be Depy Examr, 1st Grade, *sub pro tem*, from 11th Jan 1886.

Capt C H P Christie, from Examr, 4th class, 1st Grade, to be Examr, 3rd Class, temporary rank from 11th Jan 1886.

Mr J Prince, Sub-Asst Supdt, 1st grade, is promoted to the honorary rank of Asst Supdt.

The following offic appointments in the Indian Telegraph Dept are made from 22nd Feb 1886, and until further orders:—

Mr F W E Wiese, from Supdt, 3rd Grade, to be Offg Supdt, 2nd Grade.

Mr C Duffin, from Supdt, 5th Grade, and Offg Supdt, 4th Grade, to be Offg Supdt, 3rd Grade.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY.

BOMBAY, 23rd March, 1886.

Means of observations of 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah.	29·843
Temperature of the Air	78·4
Wet Bulb Thermometer	71·7
Dew Point	68·3
Relative humidity of Air	·729
Extent of cloudy sky (the Whole sky clouded=10)	0·6
Maximum emperature of air (read at 6 p.m.)	84·1
Minimum do. do (read at 10 a.m.)	72·4
General Directions of Wind*	WNW, NW, WNW NW.
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BOMBAY.

DEATH.

WRIGHT—March 21, at Chinchpoogly, Zoe Cameron, second daughter of Edward and Emily Wright.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

HILLS—March 16, at Jullundur, the wife of Lieutenant-Colonel G S Hills, 28th Punjab Infantry, of a daughter.
MILLAR—March 14, at Tanjore, the wife of A P Millar, of a son.
LOCKHART—March 18, at Sitalpur, Sarun, the wife of R Stewart Lockhart, of a daughter.
ROWE—March 20, at 10 Loudon Street, Calcutta, the wife of F J Rowe, Education Department, of a son.

MARRIAGE.

EVEZARD—MURRAY—March 1, at the Coonoor Church, by the Rev D W Kidd, Lilian Isabel Violet, second daughter of Major-General Evezard, Bombay Army, Retired, to James Tough Murray, Esq.

The Bombay Gazette

THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 1886.

THE attention of the Government of India has been directed to two railway projects which, though they will not be found in the schedules of 1884, are nevertheless of no small importance. And although it is a far cry from Bombay to Lahore and to Ludhiana, the schemes for connecting those places with the Rajputana-Malwa line have a direct bearing upon the interests of this city. The Lahore project is simple and by no means formidable, and it is believed that its results in point of remunerativeness and public convenience would fully warrant its being entered upon. The terminus of the Rajputana-Malwa Line in the Cis-Sutlej country is at Ferozepore, a branch about three hundred miles in length connecting that place with the main line at Rewari. An air-line route from Ferozepore to Lahore would be about thirty miles in length; a less direct route already exists by a branch of the Scinde, Punjab and Delhi line, which starts from the Sutlej bank opposite Ferozepore, and joins the main line at Raewind. The Sutlej Bridge, which the Minister of Public Work will inspect this week, will be crossed by the Raewind branch, and thus alone a substantial improvemen in the means of communication with the north and north-west will be supplied. But there would still be a want of through communication between Lahore and the Rajputana-Malwa system, and this it has been proposed to supply in one of two ways—either by continuing the Rewari-Ferozepore line across the thirty-two miles whichlie between Ferozepore and Lahore or by laying down a third rail across the Sutlej Bridge and obtaining running powers *via* Raewind to Lahore. The latter scheme may be recommended for cheapness, for there is an obvious difference in the cost of constructing a line *de novo*, with all the cost of earthwork, bridges, and stations, and laying down a rail between two existing rails and so constructing a narrow gauge railway on a broad gauge foundation. But the Raewind route would have all the disadvantages which a line laid along two sides of a triangle has in comparison with a line laid along its base. It would be an improvement upon the present state of affairs, but it is difficult to see in what respect other than that of cheapness it could be preferred to the direct route which thirty-two miles laid in almost a straight line would give. Whatever the respective merits of the two projects may be, there seems little doubt that a purpose of great public utility would be served by either of them. In Lahore itself there has been a strong expression of opinion in favour of bringing the city into more direct communication with Bombay. To mention one advantage alone which would be derived—the Bombay mails would reach Lahore at noon, instead of at midnight.

The other scheme has a wider import, and to judge from the energy with which it has been assailed it must be regarded with no small interest in the railway world. Its object is to connect the rich corn-growing country south of Ludhiana with the Rajputana-Malwa system. Of the cereal wealth of the country the Ludhiana markets for many years gave abundant proof. If Ludhiana has in late years lost something of its eminence as a grain market, the reason is that instead of wheat growers bringing their produce to the buyers, the buyers or their agents go to the wheat growers and buy on the spot. The same change has occurred in Cawnpore, and the richness of the Ludhiana district is not smaller than it was because the Ludhiana market has fallen off in importance. It is by means of a line extending from Hissar, on the Rewari-Ferozepore branch, to Ludhiana, with a short branch to Pattiala, that it has been proposed to tap this district. The two lines would be about a hundred and eighty miles in length, and as the country is perfectly level, they could be laid at a low cost—probably at £4,000 a mile. The region that they would serve is the region of the great Sirhind Canal system, over four branches of which the chief line would run. The significance of this fact will not be lost sight of. A country thus intersected by canals not only has the promise and the capacity of largely increased productiveness, but a railway which ran through it would have in the canals themselves constant feeders of its traffic. A canal which fulfils all the functions of which it is capable is not only a fertilizer; it is a channel of communication, and may be a potent auxiliary to to a railway. The richness of the country which would be opened up by this line, and its capacity for development, are admitted even by the writer in the Lahore paper who recently endeavoured to show cause why the project should not be assented to. His shrewd anticipation that "the feeders would be most valuable to Bombay trade" will not lessen the interest which will be shown in it in this city. It is at any rate worth noting that the traffic potentialities of the district are not disputed, and that the most that has yet been said against the scheme submitted to the Government of India is that not the particular line that has been suggested, but one tapping the district at another point and carrying its produce in another direction, would be more politic and more profitable. The Punjab grain trade, we are told, needs developing, but it needs to be conducted in the direction not of Bombay, but of Kurrachee.

The plea that is put in for Kurrachee is that if the Sutlej Valley line, from Fazilka to Bhawalpur, is ever laid down otherwise than on paper, a much shorter and a much cheaper outlet for the Punjab grain trade will be provided than any which the Rajputana-Malwa line could give. And this contention is supported with an array of figures which, if figures could prove everything as easily as they can be made to prove anything, would be somewhat to the purpose. Railway rates, however, like shipping freights, are a matter of more complex arithmetic than the Lahore writer appeared willing to admit when he endeavoured by a simple table of distances to show that Bombay could not compete with Kurrachee in shipping Punjab grain for the English market. Neither on sea nor on land does mileage alone determine the charge for carriage, and it is by a process of much too hasty inference that Kurrachee has been indicated as the only proper outlet of the grain districts lying south of Ludhiana. Some consideration, for instance, ought to have been given to the question whetner Kurrachee is at present prepared for any considerable increase in its grain export trade. A comparison between the two lines of transit which does not take careful account of such difference as there may be in the accommodation provided at the two ports is manifestly defective. If the Kurrachee Chamber of Commerce may be accepted as competent witnesses upon the point, the available accommodation and wharfage conveniences at that port are wholly inadequate; and taking things as they are, and not as they may be hereafter, it must be recognized that Kurrachee is under disadvantages in this important respect, considerable enough to counterbalance whatever advantages it might enjoy in its relative proximity to the Punjab wheat-growing country. One consideration which remains to be urged in favour of the Hissar-Ludhiana line is of another kind. When the Rewari-Ferozepore line was projected it was recommended by the Government of India for the reason, amongst others, that it would run through a tract of country particularly liable to drought, and that it would serve as a protection against famine. It was undertaken, however, in the expectation that the unremunerative character of the line would hereafter be removed by connecting it with the rich country lying to the north of it. This is a circumstance which doubtless has weighed with the Government of Bombay in leading them to a favourable view of the scheme, and which is likely not to be left out of sight whenever it is finally and authoritatively pronounced upon.

SIR ROPER LETHBRIDGE has withdrawn his amendment urging the appointment of a Royal Commission to inquire into Indian administration—a circumstance which will doubtless confirm Bombay politicians in the reluctantly adopted belief that there would have been no practical advantage in holding a meeting last week to ask for the same thing. If any of them were inclined to wish well to Sir Roper Lethbridge's amendment, they cannot so easily extend their good wishes to Lord Randolph Churchill's, which is not a whit more practical. To urge that the inquiry shall be terminated in a reasonable time is to make either a superfluous or a mischievous request. If Lord Randolph Churchill means that the inquiry should not be unreasonably long, this is nothing more than might be required by any one in regard to any inquiry whatsoever. If the request has any other meaning, it can only be that the inquiry shall be short, inadequate, and partial. As to the curtailment of the dimensions of the Committee, that is a purpose which it is too late to attain even if it were desirable. Both Houses have nominated their contingent; and in the House of Commons, as in Bombay, accomplished facts have to be accepted.

AT the meeting of the Town Council yesterday, the tenders for the iron work of the Tansa water scheme were examined, and that of Messrs. McFarlane, Strang & Co. was accepted. The difference between the prices of the highest and the lowest tenders was very striking, amounting to £2-4-6 per ton. The variation between a maximum of £8-0-6 per ton, and £5-15-0 seems inexplicable. A variance of estimates which is, however, of wider general interest for people in India just now, was shown in regard to the estimate of the probable fall of the rupee in which the iron is to be paid for. Messrs. McFarlane, Strang & Co. offered to take for the £5-15-0, Rs. 80-15-0, which is calculated on a fall of the rupee to 1s. 5 3-64d., virtually a penny per rupee less than the average rate at present. This would involve a surplus payment on the first year's supply of iron amounting to Rs. 32,600. One member argued that it was better to pay in rupees and not in sterling, for the rupee might go down to 1s. 4d. This dismal anticipation was not shared by the majority of the Council, who held that the rupee could scarcely go so low as to justify the city in insuring itself against loss, by agreeing beforehand to pay the contractors a penny on every rupee above present rates. It is a comfort to know that business men do not calculate that the rupee will reach 1s. 4d. just yet; nor even 1s. 5 3-64d.

THE NEW TOWN COUNCIL.

THE following nominations to the new Town Council have already been made :—The Hon. Rao Saheb V. N. Mandlik, proposed by Mr. Dadabhai Nowrozji, seconded by Dr. Blaney; Khan Bahadur M. C. Murzban, proposed by Surgeon-Major Arnott, seconded by the Hon. K. T. Telang; the Hon. Mr. Dadabhai Nowrozji, proposed by Mr. M. C. Murzban, seconded by Mr. P. H. Mehta; Mr. J. U. Yajnik, proposed by Mr. Telang, seconded by Mr. J. B. Murzban; Mr. Nanabhoy Byramji Jeejeebhoy, proposed by Mr. P. M. Mehta, seconded by Mr. G. Cotton; Lieutenant-Colonel Portman, proposed by Mr. N. B. Jeejeebhoy, seconded by Mr. R. M. Sayani; Mr. R. N. Khote, C.I.E., proposed by Mr. N. B. Jeejeebhoy, seconded by Surgeon-Major Arnott; Mr. Gokaldas Jugmohandas, proposed by Mr. G. Cotton, seconded by Mr. R. M. Sayani; Mr. R. M. Sayani, proposed by Captain Morland, seconded by Mr. P. M. Mehta; Surgeon-Major Waters, proposed by Mr. P. M. Mehta, seconded by Mr. R. N. Khote; Dr. Cewasjee Hormusjee proposed by Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, seconded by Lieutenant-Colonel Portman; Mr. Muncherjee Nowrojee Banajee, proposed by Lieutenant-Colonel Portman, seconded by Mr. R. N. Khote. Further nominations may be received up to within three days of the 5th proximo.

THE FORT POLICE COURTS.

ATTENTION has repeatedly been drawn to the wretched state of the building in which the present Police Courts are held within the Fort. The large, narrow but lofty building with its miserable rickety staircases and general dirty appearance has nothing to recommend it but its suitability as to position. When it was taken over by Government, who rented it from a wealthy and prominent citizen of Bombay some forty years ago, there was possibly no other alternative. It is in the memory of many that the present Court-house was raised on the ruins of a house which had been long left to fall into a ruinous and dilapidated condition, and, when purchased by the owner, the present erection was raised on the former foundations, the ruined walls and material being used in the construction of the high and shaky structure in which the Courts are now located. The building, till within the last few years, was found to answer its purposes. But of late great apprehensions have been felt as to the safety of the house. The situation of the premises, it must be conceded, is very good; but the building has become so dilapidated, and any one who has happened to be in the Courts, especially that occupied by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, when a strong breeze is blowing, can testify to an unmistakable sensation of rocking. Many who are daily obliged to work in the Courts think it a providential dispensation that the structure does not come down about their ears, collapsing like a house of cards. We understand a good deal of correspondence has taken place between the Chief Presidency Magistrate and the Public Works Department on the state of the buildings. It is no exaggeration to say, for it has been noticed by many, that a heavy foot-fall on the stairs resounds through and perceptibly shakes the building. The lower floors, of course, are not so much affected as the higher storeys. In fact, the front elevation of the house is now slightly inclining towards Hornby Row. The approach of the monsoon with the strong winds it brings are accordingly much dreaded by those who are perforce obliged to use the offices and courts. Apart from the risk of a probable collapse of the Court-house one fine day its many inconveniences make it eminently desirable for the new courts to be hastened. What with the shabby furniture, which is certainly no ornament and of very little use, and swarms with vermin, the heat of the stuffy atmosphere, little tempered by the small punka over the lawyers' table and witness-box, and which only serves to carry away the witness's evidence, the absence of accommodation for persons called to give testimony, and, above all, with the dangerous state of the building those regularly visiting the Courts are in no enviable position. Mr. Adams, of the Public Works Department, indirectly owing to the correspondence alluded to above, visited the Police Courts three days ago, and inspected their present defective condition. If it should not be possible to make temporary arrangements for locating the Courts elsewhere until the new building near the Cama Hospital are ready for occupation, it is the more urgent that the construction of the latter should be pushed forward with all possible expedition

TELEGRAMS.

SUMMARY OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT, 1886-87.

(FROM THE PRESS COMMISSIONER.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 24.

The Financial Statement for the year 1886-87 is published in the *Gazette of India* in the form of a Minute by Sir Auckland Colvin. It is stated that the debates in the Legislative Council on the Income-tax Bill have anticipated the substance of the Financial Statement, the broads facts of which are that Government has accepted an ultimate increase to its expenditure of not less than two millions in connection with military changes, strategic railways, and frontier and coast defence works; and, on the other hand, has added about £800,000 to its resources by converting the License-tax into a tax on non-agricultural incomes. The financial situation is, however, very much complicated by the uncertainty in regard to Silver. The Minute dwells at some length on this aspect of the question, and then passes on to explain that the accounts and estimates attached to the Statement for the ensuing year have been recast so as to shew the exchange on Sterling transactions of the year at the actual rate of exchange obtained by the Secretary of State for Bills and Transfers sold during the year, and not, as hitherto, according to the exchange on amount of Secretary of State's drawings during the year. Changes have also been made in dealing with Capital and Revenue accounts of railways, the classification of which has been simplified. Other changes of a similar character have been carried out, having for their object to show the true effect of exchange on the accounts. The accounts of 1884-85 shew the revenue to be £70,690,681, expenditure £71,077,127, and the deficit £386,446. The deficit on the revised estimates amounted to £716,200 according to the former method of exhibiting accounts, and the deficit on the accounts according to that method would have been £149,735 only, the difference being due to the mode of exhibiting exchange. As above explained increased Railway, Salt and Land revenue receipts during March 1885 account for the diminution of the deficit anticipated in the accounts. The revised estimates of 1885-86 are:—Receipts £73,598,100, expenditure £76,488,900, deficit £2,890,800. This deficit is entirely due to expenditure caused by the military preparations of 1885-86, and cost of the expedition to Burma. The increase due to Army charges during the current year was £2,827,800, being less than the deficit by £63,000 only. The estimates for 1886-87 are:—Revenue £75,798,700, expenditure £75,616,500, leaving a surplus of £82,200.

The Minute states that with the year 1885-86 the estimates of revenue and expenditure framed on the basis of 1882-83, which have hitherto proved sufficient, require to be reconsidered, and that a review of the resources of Government has rendered necessary the increase of its revenues by taxation, the necessity of constructing military and internal railways with other military works, and of increasing the Army Estimates at a time when exchange has experienced a heavy fall presents difficulties in securing a financial equilibrium. The state of exchange is, however, the chief source of anxiety. It is added that the earnest attention of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India has been called to the subject by the Government, who have pressed on him the necessity of seeking, in concert with the Powers of Europe and the United States of America, for a solution of the silver difficulty. The Minute then examines in detail the various items of increase, which it has taken on the Revenue side of Estimates under the heads of Income-tax, Railways and Opium, as well as the increase to expenditure under Army. It speaks of the Budget of 1886-87 as experimental, adding that greater experience must be awaited before it can be assured that the new scale of resources is adapted to the new scale of requirements, and that all that at present can be said is that in the absence of the calamity of an increase to the Silver difficulty, there are good grounds for believing that the wants of the coming year have been sufficiently provided for to the extent of £400,000. A contribution has been taken from the surplus of Provincial Revenues in order to insure equilibrium in 1886-87, but this contribution entails no reduction in Estimates for Provincial expenditure in ensuing year; while, on the other hand, it does not reduce the amount of minimum balances which Provincial Governments are required to keep as a reserve against calamities. It is in accordance with the warning addressed to Provincial Governments during the currency of the present year, when they were requested not to engage their balances by embarking on any fresh expenditure during 1885-86, which would lock them up for a term exceeding that of the Provincial contracts expiring with the ensuing year.

The introduction of Income-tax into Burma is postponed for a year, the increased cost of construction of railways, owing to the active policy pursued by the Government of India in this respect, entails a corresponding diminution in net receipts derived from this source. The net loss of 1884-85 is stated at £846,034, while the Estimates of 1886-87, though including an increase of State Railway receipts of £1,092,284, contemplate a net loss of £1,321,300.

The prospects of the Opium crop are again exceptional. The reserve is expected to stand at the close of the year at 29,200 chests. The price of Bengal Opium in 1886-87 has been taken at Rs. 1,200 per chest. The new Opium Convention with China will, it is believed, come into operation during the ensuing year.

The net Army expenditure in India and in England for 1886-87 is estimated at £17,424,300, including exchange, being an increase of £1,613,500 over the Budget Estimates of 1885-86. The deferred expenditure on some account which will be required to complete the scheme of Government amounts to £556,900, apart from interest, or military railways, or works under famine relief and insurance. It is pointed out that the grant of 1885-86 amounted to a normal figure, while in 1886-87, the estimated expenditure under this head is £1,361,300 only, the difference between that and £1,500,000 being assigned to payment of interest to Indian Midland Company during the construction of that railway, which forms part of the projected scheme of railways to the prosecution of which the Famine insurance grant is devoted. Explanation is given of the details of increase of Army expenditure in 1885-86, showing how the extra expenditure of £3,049,700 is arrived at.

The increase in Salt in the eleven months ending with the 31st January 1886 has been 64,000 maunds only, which does not amount to a tenth of the increase in the corresponding eleven months of the preceding year, which again gave little more than two-thirds of the increase of year 1883-84. The Minute points out that any falling off in consumption of salt requires to be carefully watched in view of the fact that a reduction of the duty in 1882 rested wholly on the assumption that the supply of salt available at the rate of duty then existing was insufficient, and that a reduction in the rate would lead to a large and steadily progressive consumption.

The net imports of Gold into India during the ten months of 1885-86 amounted to Rs. 2,93,74,490 only.

The net imports of Silver on the other hand amounted to Rs. 9,37,78,117; the rate of exchange has been taken at 1s. 6d., and provision made for drawing by the Secretary of State in 1886-87 to the amount of £13,331,400 (true sterling).

The Indian Cash Balance on 31st March 1886 is expected to stand at £12,400,000,.

DACOITY IN BURMA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, MARCH 24.

Colonel LeMesurier, Commanding the Mahline Column, reports from Yemethen, 21st March, that on the 18th, Major McCausland, Commanding the Cavalry, supported by the rest of the force, surprised and cut up a body of 400 rebels under a prince close to the village Yindawaunjo, on the road from Mahline to Yemethen, killing 60 of the enemy, wounding 20, and capturing 30 prisoners, 3 guns, 140 rifles, 56 dahs, and three elephants. Our casualties were only one troop horse wounded, and the charger of Capt. Eyre, Civil Officer attached, shot. Two officers and 40 men of the Somersetshire left this morning by train via Toungboo to reinforce Ningyan; one officer and 50 men of the 5th Madras Cavalry left also for Tharrawaddy.

THE BURMAN COMMANDS.

General Prendergast and Staff return from Toungboo, arriving here to-morrow evening.

Burma is to be divided into two Commands, namely, Upper Burma, under Brigadier-General White, about to be promoted Major-General for services in Burma, with a Brigadier-General; and Lower Burma, under Major-General Gordon, also with a Brigadier-General. Many other changes are also pending,

THE GARSTIN DACOITY CASE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, MAR. 24.

The departure of Mr. Thomas, First Member of the Board of Revenue, to enquire into the administration of the Madura district, has been postponed.

The *Mail* urges Government to cancel the order, and explains why Mr. Thomas especially ought not to be sent.

On Friday the High Court will be asked to order the transfer of the Garstin case from Madura.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE INQUIRY INTO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

LONDON, MARCH 24.

Sir Roper Lethbridge withdraws his amendment, of which he had given notice on the 12th inst., respecting the inquiry into the government of India, in favour of Lord Randolph Churchill's amendment on the same subject, which will be strongly supported by the Conservatives.

THE ROUMELIAN QUESTION.

CONSTANTINOPLE, MARCH 23.

Prince Alexander has informed the Porte that he cannot accept a five years' Governor-Generalship of Roumelia, but adheres to his demand to be appointed for life.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE PORTE.

The British Ambassador here has been instructed by his Government to assure the Sultan of the friendly disposition of the British Government towards His Imperial Majesty and to state that Sir H. Drummond Wolff's mission in Egypt will not be hurriedly terminated.

GREECE STILL PREPARING FOR WAR.

ATHENS, MARCH 23.

The war spirit is still in the ascendant here, and active warlike preparations continue to be made by the Government without cessation.

SERIOUS RIOTS IN BELGIUM.

BRUSSELS, MARCH 23.

The serious riots which occurred at Liege last week have been followed by a strike and rioting among the Belgian colliers. Frequent conflicts between the troops and the rioters have taken place.

THE INCOMING MAIL.

ADEN, MARCH 24.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s. s. Pekin, with the outward English mails of the 12th inst., left here for Bombay at 1 a. m. this morning.

STEAMER REPORTS.

LONDON, MARCH 23.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Rewa, outward bound for Calcutta, Madras, and Colombo, left here yesterday evening.

SUEZ, MARCH 23.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Nepaul arrived here from Bombay this morning.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Mackenzie left here for Colombo, Madras, and Calcutta, this evening.

COLOMBO, MARCH 24.

The Mail steamer Ancona from Bombay arrived.

TRINCOMALEE, MARCH 24.

H. M. S. Sphinx left for Bombay.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, MARCH 23.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed steady. Surats quiet.

The London Cotton market has been quiet bu steady.

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The Manchester market has been quiet.

7 lbs. Shirtings	5
8¼	6-1¼
40s Mule Twist	0-8¼
3 per cent. Consols for account	100⅜
3½ ,, Sterling Loan	101¼
4 ,, Rupee Paper	75¾
4½ ,, ,,	75 15-16
4½ ,, French Rentes	109
Bar Silver	46 11-16

Arrival—Aston Hall.

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

(MARCH 24.)

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Via* Teheran, perfect. *Via* Turkey perfect. *Via* Suez, perfect.

CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—*Via* Teheran, perfect. *Via* Turkey perfect. *Via* Suez, perfect.

AMERICA.—*Via* Brest, perfect. *Via* Valentia, perfect. *Via* Direct Cable, perfect.

AUSTRALIA.—*Via* Penang, perfect. *Via* Amoor, perfect.

CHINA.—*Via* Penang, perfect. *Via* Amoor, perfect.

Tavoy route interrupted beyond Yeh.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

TUESDAY NIGHT, March 23.

10 p.m.	75·0

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6 a.m.	73·5
10 a.m.	78·7
2 p.m.	80·1
4 p.m.	79·8

THE tender of Messrs. McFarlane, Strang and Co. was yesterday accepted by the Bombay Town Council for the supply of the ironwork required for the Vansa project, amounting in all to 45,800 tons. Seven tenders, all from firms of good repute, had been received, and at the rates accepted the probable amount of the contract will be £266,48-16-6. Some discussion took place on the suggestion of the Municipal Commissioner that sterling rates should be accepted in preference to rupee rates, as the tenderer to guard himself had taken a very low rate of exchange. Dr. Peterson objected to this as a speculation, but no amendment was moved, and the proposals of the Municipal Commissioner were accepted. The contractors are a Glasgow from, and have already supplied the pipes for the water supplies of Liverpool and Sydney.

LADY REAY distributed the prizes at the Indo-British Institution last evening, Mr. Justice Scott presiding in the absence of His Excellency the Governor. The annual report was adopted on the motion of Mr. Justice Birdwood, seconded by Mr. Starling, and on the proposition of Professor Hathornthwaite, seconded by Mr. F. Rowland, the treasurer's accounts were passed, with a rider offering to Mr. J. Shepherd the hearty thanks of the friends and supporters of the Institution for his valuable services during the past fifteen years. The President in his address, whilst complimenting the institution on the excellent results of the education criticised it as complete only if the education were to be of a literary character. He asked whether this was sufficient for the requirements of the present day. The supply of clerks already exceeded the demand, but without trenching on the Government scheme of technical instruction, he suggested that the boys would be better fitted for the battle of life if a workshop could be provided wherein they could be trained to the use of tools for wood and iron. The girls too, besides being taught needlework, should also be instructed in cooking.

A correspondent writes to us:—"Has the medal and clasp for the forces of Bombay, Bengal, and Madras who served in the Zobh Expedition been sanctioned? And if it has been, is the medal that of the "Indian Frontier" with clasp? I have heard rumours of this in many quarters, and am interested on the part of my men who served there. I may add that I am only one of many commanding officers whose health was broken down in this very arduous expedition which led to such military success, and to such satisfactory political ends, *viz.*, reinstatement of the legitimate Ruler and the recent submission of Mahomet Jan. Added to all the usual hardships and losses of war, the troops were subjected to those of cholera. Many men in these short service days will have been discharged before they know the result if it is not soon communicated."

STATISTICS have been compiled showing that there are in the city and island of Bombay 551 deaf-mutes, of whom 364 are males. The Hindoos number 343—210 males and 133 females; Mahomedans 122—94 males and 28 females; Christians, 18 -15 males and 3 females; Jains, 11—8 males and 3 females; Parsis, 54—34 males and 20 females; and Jews 3, the latter being all males. There are 29 deaf-mutes under five years of age; 47 over five and under nine; 52 over nine and under fourteen; 56 under fifteen and under nineteen; 92 over nineteen and under twenty-nine; 90 over twenty-nine and under thirty-nine; 65 over thirty-nine and under forty-nine; 54 over forty-nine and under fifty-nine; and 56 over fifty-nine.

MR. CHARLES DU-VAL has returned to Bombay from his tour through Bengal and Southern India, and proceeds to England in the course of a few days. It is uncertain whether Mr. Du-Val will give an entertainment during his present sojourn in Bombay. When he made his last appearance at the Gaiety Theatre, several hundred people had to return home, being unable to obtain admission. It is therefore to be hoped that he will see his way to repeat his entertainment during his present stay, to give those who were disappointed on the last occasion an opportunity to witness his inimitable impersonations.

THE Flagship Bacchante, with Admiral Richards on board, arrived in harbour yesterday afternoon.

SURGEON-GENERAL FURNELL will leave Madras for Europe early next month, and is not expected to return. Deputy Surgeon-General Bidie, Sanitary Commissioner, will succeed him, and Deputy Surgeon-General Roberts, now returning from Suakim, will become Sanitary Commissioner.

THREE more regiments of Native Infantry are to be sent to Burma. The 43rd Assam Light Infantry was placed under orders some time ago to take part with the 26th Native Infantry in quieting the Chindwin Valley. The 7th Bombay Native Infantry and the 16th Bengal Native Iufantry are also being sent.

THE state of the Maharaja Scindia's health still prevents him from attending as much as usual to business, but there is no present intention of calling in a Minister from outside.

THE net Indian sea and land customs revenue, exclusive of the salt revenue, for the first eleven months of the current financial year, has been Rs. 95,43,000, as compared with Rs. 81,02,000 during the corresponding period of last year.

THE Viceroy has appointed Colonel W. G. Davies, C.I.E., Financial Commissioner of the Punjab, to be an additional Member of the Viceregal Legislative Council.

IT is said that the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-West Provinces some time ago represented the expediency of establishing a Legislative Council in the N.-W. Provinces and Oudh, and that the project is now likely to be taken into serious consideration.

IT is notified that Colonel Sir R. G. Sandeman, K.C.S.I., agent to the Governor-General in Beluchistan, and Mr. J. G. Cordery, Resident at Hyderabad, have been granted furlough for one year and 217 days and for six months, respectively.

THE Hon. Major-General T. E. Hughes, R.A., Member of the Council of the Governor-General, is declared to be *ex-officio* and for life, a Companion of the Order of the Indian Empire.

CAPTAIN VOLKOVNIKOFF, of the 1st Caucasian Cossack Regiment, has been appointed to the civil charge of Penjdeh.

MR. GILBERT HENDERSON, Barrister-at-Law, has been appointed Tagore Law Lecturer to the Calcutta University for next year.

SIR RICHARD GARTH was presented with an address by the members of the Garth Memorial Committee on Sunday afternoon, setting forth their appreciation of his eminent services as Chief Justice of Bengal. Rajah Rajendro Mullick headed the deputation, while the address was read by the Hon'ble Peari Mohun Mukerji. On Monday afternoon Sir Richard received an address, together with a handsome piece of plate, from the members of the Calcutta Bar.

THE following appointments and changes have been made in the Political Department:—Mr. J. A. Crawford, Political Agent at Quetta and Pishin, is re-appointed as Assistant Secretary in the Foreign Department, in the place of Mr. F. T. Henson, who vacates that appointment; Mr. H. S. Barnes, on return from leave, is re-appointed Political Agent at Quetta and Pishin; Major E. A. Fraser, Political Assistant, 1st class, is posted as Assistant to the Resident in Maisur and Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of Coorg; Colonel H. M. B. Burlton, Cantonment Magistrate of Morar, is appointed to officiate as Cantonment Magistrate, Nimach, during the absence, on leave, of Lieutenant-Colonel C. Grant; Lieutenant R. D. C. Davies, Assistant Cantonment Magistrate at Morar, is appointed Assistant Cantonment Magistrate of Mhow.

"PEOPLE had to conceal their wives and daughters for fear of violation. The merchants had to bury their treasures for fear of the soldiers. The agriculturists whose crops have been destroyed have not yet been paid, nor has a valuation of these crops been yet arrived at." This is a description, not of an invasion, but—of the Delhi Camp-of-Exercise; which, according to the Allahabad paper, appears in a vernacular newspaper published in Bengal.

THE Calcutta water-supply has been doubled by the laying of a 48-inch main connecting Paltah with Teliah. The main was opened on Saturday by Sir Rivers Thompson, who availed himself of the opportunity to vindicate the municipal administration of Calcutta of civilians. "I differ," he said, "from those who rather prominently assert that, after a hundred and twenty years of Civilian rule in India, Calcutta owes nothing or next to nothing to Civilian administration for the benefits which it has received. Why, take this very great work with which we are here occupied? I remember the time perfectly well, which many of you here present, no doubt, remember as well, when the question was set on foot of introducing a water-supply for Calcutta, opposition came from the native gentlemen of Calcutta. I remember the subject, and I venture to assert further that, unless it had been for the persistent obstinacy of one single member, and he a Civilian, who had the character of being an obstinate opponent, you would not to this day have the water-supply of Calcutta."

MR. C. S. CROLE, of the Madras Civil Service, who has got in such hot water for connecting the name of the Hon. Mr. Sullivan with certain land transactions at Madura, was until recently in high favour with Government. During the great famine (we learn from the *Madras Times*) he served in Nellore and in Kurnool—in the latter place, as Collector. For his famine services he not only received the thanks of Government, but the most flattering acknowledgments of the Duke of Buckingham, as well as substantial recognition in the way of favourite and lucrative appointments. Indeed, he had an attack of sunstroke, and another of malarious fever during the famine, and by reason of the resuls, he had to take sick leave to Europe from Madras from November 1880 to February 1882. During his absence he was appointed District and Sessions Judge of Kistna; but on his return from furlough, he was sent to Madura as Acting Collector and Magistrate. He objected to it as the hardest and most difficult charge in the Madras Presidency. But his objections were overruled. He found the district in an unsatisfactory condition. There was a very large arrear of public revenue uncollected, the revenue establishments were demoralized, the local bodies disaffected, several of the influential and respectable members of the Municipal Council of Madura City had resigned, and a strike had recently taken place in the native bazaar. In January, 1886, at the end of Mr. Crole's administration of the district, for three years running it had stood at the head of all the districts in the Presidency in the matter of revenue collection, and at the end of June 1885 it presented the unprecedented spetacle in the Returns of the Board of Revenue, of the complete collection of the revenue demand of 26 lakhs of rupees without any arrears whatever. Attachment and sale of property for Government dues had disappeared; and the landed proprietors and ryots had been relieved altogether from impost on account of interest and process fees. Anything approaching such a state of affairs is generally highly appreciated and praised by a Government which feels a keen interest in the collection of revenue.

THE good relations between the Cabinets of St Petersburg and London which, it is said, were somewhat strained by the feeling in Russia that Lord Salisbury was backing Prince Alexander Battenberg, have been re-established on an excellent footing by Lord Rosebery. "Contrary to the belief of many, the new Foreign Secretary is a *persona grata* at St. Petersburg as well as at Berlin, and the good impression which he has already produced, is deepened by the esteem in which the Russians have always held Mr. Bryce. It is true that Mr. Bryce has never been a Russophil, but he is a friend of the Armenians and he is intelligent—two great qualities in the eyes of those who so often have had to do with under-secretaries who are merely sightless bundles of prejudices in breeches."

THE Australian colonists appear to be the hardest tea-drinkers in the world. The Australian Colonies and New Zealand drink far more tea per head of population than the British Islands. The Australians come first, with 7·66lbs. per head, the New Zealanders next with 7·23lbs. per head, while the British Islanders, though the third in the list, consume only 4·90lbs. each. Newfoundland and Canada come next, while in the United States the consumption is only 1·30 per head; and in Russia, which is always looked upon as a large tea drinking country, the consumption is only 0·61 per head. Belgium, Sweden, Austria, Hungary, and Spain consume less than the other European nations, but there is not one nation on the Continent, with the exception of Holland, in which the annual consumption exceeds 1lb. per head. Of course, in certain parts of the conutries named tea-drinking is much more common than in others. In parts of Russia, especially, tea is drunk constantly and copiously, and it is on this account that the land of the Czar has procured its present notoriety as the most bibulous of all tea-drinking countries.

A CURIOUS occurrence took place at Nancy a day or two ago during the performance of a new piece at the principal theatre of that town. The first act was just terminated, to the almost unanimous satisfaction of the spectators, when one of the audience made himself very conspicuous by standing upon his chair and hooting. Whereupon the author of the piece was seen to rush frantically at him, and, unless the other spectators had intervened, would probably have done him serious damage. Unfortunately for the too impetuous author, the victim of his aggression was a student at the Lycée of Nancy. The next evening accordingly the whole of the school invaded the theatre. The author, who it was discovered was present, was dragged out, severely beaten, and the piece was not allowed to be proceeded with until the manager had apologized for the conduct of the unfortunate but decidedly eccentric author.

A MOST remarkable accident occurred recently in the dyeing department of the Manchester Print Works, Manchester, United States. James H. Trinity, a young man about seventeen years of age, was dragged head foremost through a space between two revolving cylinders. The rollers are only three inches apart, and had the material been anything else but copper, the body would have been crushed to a jelly. As it was, the copper being thin, yielded with the pressure brought to bear upon it, and Trinity escaped.

No application will be made to Parliament for a vote in payment (or part payment) of the expenses of Princess Beatrice's wedding, as the Queen has paid everything herself out of her Civil List. The cost of the wedding was much greater than had been anticipated, and although there was really no State ceremony, it was quite as expensive an affair as the wedding of the late Duke of Albany at Windsor. The total cost was nearly 5,000*l*.

THE family jewellery, of the value of £50,000, which mysteriously disappeared some five years ago from Brynkinalt, near Chirk, Denbighshire, the residence of Lord Trevor, has been found. A man-servant at the Hall happened to go into a disused cellar, where he saw some glittering object upon a heap of rubbish, and, upon examination, found it to be one of the missing articles of jewellery.

MILITARY NEWS.

COLONEL GEORGE F. GRAHAM, Bengal Staff Corps, Commandant, Calcutta Volunteer Rifles, has been permitted to retire from the service with effect from the 10th April. This will create a vacancy of Commandant in the Presidency Volunteers, for which Colonel Harris, now on service in Burma in command of the 11th Bengal Infantry, is named.

SURGEON-MAJOR JAMES KELLY, M.D., retired from the service on the 12th March.

THE result of the field firing held at Poona on the 23rd February cannot be regarded as satisfactory, a percentage of hits to rounds fired of only 1·26 having been obtained. There were 18,988 cartridges fired, 1,494 Martini-Henry, commencing at 1,500 yards; 15,426 Snider cartridges, commencing at 950 yards, and 2,068 Snider Carbine cartridges, commencing at 500 yards. The firing was conducted by stages up to 250 yards. The hits were distributed as follows:—Gunners, 129, 172; Supports, 26; Reserve, 12; Gunners, 23; and Cavalry, 6; while the guns and limbers were never touched.

THE Calcutta Volunteer competitors for the Indo-Wimbledon team will have their first competition on the 26th March, second on April 2nd, and 3rd on April 5th, at 200, 500, and 600 yards, seven shots at each distance, no sighting shot. The order of merit will be decided according to the aggregate scores of the three trials. The team, if one be sent, will only be a scratch one after all, and will not represent the shooting strength of India, as the selection will be made from those corps only which subscribe to the Fund.

A NEW treasury has been opened at Mandalay, Upper Burma.

DEPUTY SURGEON-GENERAL A. J. DALE, M.B., has been granted sick leave for four months, and Brigade Surgeon C. J. J. Jackson, M.D., has been appointed Deputy Surgeon-General with temporary rank.

COLONEL T. F. C. ROCHFORT, of the Cavalry, Superintendent of the Reserve Depôt, Army Remounts, has been granted furlough on private affairs for two years.

COLONEL J. MILLER, Commandant, Bhopal Battalion, has been granted six months' leave on urgent private affairs; and Major W. M. Campbell, Royal Artillery, Commissary of Ordnance, has been granted six months' leave on medical certificate.

COLONEL H. M. B. BURLTON, Cantonment Magistrate at Morar, has been appointed Officiating Magistrate at Neemuch, and his Assistant, Lieutenant R. D. C. Davies, Assistant Cantonment Magistrate, Mhow.

CAPTAIN JOHN ROSE, Calcutta Volunteer Rifles, has been gazetted Paymaster; Lieutenant Elworthy succeeds him as Captain, and Volunteer W. F. Whitehead succeeds Elworthy as Lieutenant.

ARRIVAL OF THE TROOPSHIP MALABAR.

H. M.'s TROOPSHIP MALABAR, Capt. Paget, arrived in harbour yesterday from Portsmouth, which port she left on the 24th Feb., calling at Queenstown on the 25th ult., Malta 6th inst., Port Said 10th inst., and Suez on the 12th inst. She brought 26 officers, 8 ladies, 10 children, 1,168 men, 25 women, and 19 children. The Malabar experienced fine weather throughout the trip. The following is the list of the officers and their families:—

From Portsmouth to Bombay.—Major and Mrs Alexander and child, 2nd Sea H: Major F H Thorndike, 2nd Rl Sussex; Major H G Mainwaring, 2nd S Wales Bord; Capt and Mrs Sands and 4 children, A P D; Surg A C Thomson, I M D; Surg N Manders, M S; Surg and Mrs S Butterworth, M S; Surg H T Baylor, M S; Lieut H S L Wood, 2nd East York; Lieut W R Trevelyan, 2nd N Stafford; Lieut F J Eyimer, R E; Lieut C F Baxter, 2nd Gloster; Lieut F R Maunsell, R A; Lieut P F R Newburry, 2nd Linco; Lieut E J Collins, 2nd N Staford; Lieut and Mrs J T Carter and 2 children, 2nd Linc; Lieut L Stokes, 2nd Rl Lanc; Lieut N FitzGerald, 1st Rl Irish Fus; Lieut J E Staveley, Bo S C; Chief Engr and Mrs J F Slatter and 1 child, S M; Rev J J Daly, Rom Cath Chap; Sub-Condtr and Mrs G J Stokes and 2 children Bl Ord.—From Queenstown to Bombay—Capt J F Wyley, 2nd Ches; Capt J H Kroker, 1st Lanc; Capt C D Johnston, 1st East Sury.—From Suez to Bombay—Surg J R Barefoot, M S; Miss Trotter, daughter of late Cond James Trotter, Bl Ord.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child, suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of MRS WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to the taste, it produces natural quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere, at 1s. 1½d. per bottle. Wholesale by the Anglo-American Drug Company, Limited, 33, Farringdon-road, London.

THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE.

A reply to "One of the Audience" in a certain journal:—

If little Tom Tucker
Sang for his supper,
Why shouldn't the Pirates too?
If they get an ovation
And create a sensation
Why make all this ado?
When you pay your money,
To see something funny,
You don't ask for any return
If the play is pleasing;
Then why this unceasing
Worry from those who burn
With envy at others,
Sisters and brothers,
Who have taken a deal of pains
To perform the Pirates?
They didn't charge high rates,
And certainly gathered no gains!
If people grumble,
They shouldn't fumble
In their pockets to pay for the play;
The play wouldn't suffer
If some crusty buffer
Preferred to stay away.
But take my advice,
As the play is so nice,
Go as often as ever you can,
For there ne'er was a better
Performed operetta
By amateurs. Say nay, who can!

ROBIN GOODFELLOW.

THE MAIMONS AND THE MAHOMEDAN LAW.

THE following letter has been addressed to the Judicial Secretary to the Bengal Government by Nawab Abdool Luteef, C.I.E., Secretary to the Mahomedan Literary Society of Calcutta:—

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 3777J, dated the 7th instant, asking the Mahomedan Literary Society for an expression of their opinion in respect to the provisions of the Bill rendering it permissive to the members of the Maimon community to declare themselves subject to the Mahomedan law.

2. In reply, I am desired by the Committee of the Mahomedan Literary Society to lay before His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor the substance of the views which they entertain upon the subject.

3. It seems to the Committee that the Maimons' Bill would tend to give legislative fixity to, and thereby accentuate, the sectarian differences which now exist in the Mahomedan community, and it is apprehended that such a measure, if passed into law, will clearly trench upon the fundamental principle by which the British Government in its beneficence has reserved to the Mahomedan community the enjoyment of their own personal law in matters of succession, inheritance, &c.

4. The Committee of the Mahomedan Literary Society regret the circumstances which brought about the introduction of the measure, and, in consonance with the views of the Mahomedan community, beg respectfully to protest against the Bill as it stands.

5. It is evident from the Statement of the Objects and Reasons of the Bill that the Maimons, like the Khojas, were originally Hindoos, but they are said to be Mahomedans in a fuller sense than the great body of the Khojas. A clause has been proposed to be inserted in the Khoja Succession Bill, in order to enable a Khoja of full age, by a registered declaration, to place himself under the Mahomedan Law of Succession, and the present Bill has been prepared with a view to providing a similar procedure for Maimons.

The Committee of the Mahomedan Literary Society are of opinion that the observances, practices, and belief of the Khojas are different from those of the Maimons to a degree that the procedure laid down in the one Bill can not hold good in the case of the other.

6. The Maimons are Mahomedans in the strict sense of the word, and it is but natural that they should complain against the unjust interference with their own law of succession, as laid down in the Koran, by the decision (Hirbari *versus* Sonbai, Perry's Oriental cases, page 110) of Sir Erskine Perry, which was based upon the evidence of a certain custom as found in the case before him. This position is no doubt unsatisfactory to them, and the Committee think that what the Maimons want is to be relieved from the legal effect of the above decision.

It has been truly observed by an eminent Judge of the Calcutta High Court in a recent case (I. L. R. 8 Cal., page 830,) that, "according to the principles of the Mahomedan law, any attempt to repudiate the law of the Koran would amount to a declaration of infidelity such as would render the individual concerned liable to punishment by the Kazi in this world and to eternal punishment in the next. No custom opposed to the ordinary law of inheritance, which was created to destroy custom, would be recognized by the doctors of Mahomedan Law." The Committee of the Mahomedan Literary Society therefore venture to submit that it may be declared by the Legislature once for all that whenever a custom as to succession is found to prevail amongst any sect of Mahomedans, either Maimons or otherwise, the Court shall not give effect to it, if it differs from the rules of succession laid down in the Koran. This will have the effect of remedying the evil in question, and would meet with the wishes of the Maimon petitioners.

7. The Bill if passed into law would not only give rise to serious complications in Maimon families, and promote litigation, but would have the effect of creating a body of statutory Mahomedans. This body would naturally be treated as an inferior class of Mahomedans by the general Mahomedan community. The Committee of the Mahomedan Literary Society accordingly hope that the Legislature would deem it advisable to prevent such a result.

8. The Committee without making any further comment upon the Bill, beg to add that (*i*) in the case of female Maimons it would be extremely difficult to have a declaration duly registered, and (*ii*) in the case of uneducated, imbecile, or weak-minded Maimons, the declaration might not be duly made. In either case their descendants would be most improperly and unjustly deprived of the benefits of their own Mahomedan law.

9. There is one other point to which the Committee would beg leave to refer, viz., whether the Bill may be amended in such a manner that an individual Maimon may, by a registered declaration, adopt the Hindoo Law of Succession. Such a measure, if possible, would be still more objectionable to the conscience of the Maimon community and render the Act wholly abortive.

It has been already shown that by the operation of the Mahomedan Law, whenever a Mahomedan repudiates the chapter of succession in the Koran, he is to be treated as an infidel, and condemned to spiritual and temporal punishment; and if a Mahomedan Maimon would be so misguided as to make an open declaration under an Indian Act to be governed by the Hindoo Law of Succession, he would not only suffer the ignominy of an apostate and infidel, but he would with his descendants be debarred from practising the tenets of the Mahomedan religion.

10. If the course suggested in paragraph 6 were followed, the Courts would, as a matter of course, be bound to administer the law of the Hanafi school to all the Maimons alike. If, on the other hand, there are Maimons who may be anxious to follow the Hindoo Law of Succession, they can without difficulty be brought under the provisions of the Indian Succession Act, 1865, or they may, during their lifetime, dispose of their property by settlement upon their children, whereby they will be able to exclude females, without infringing the provisions of the Mahomedan Law.

BOMBAY HIGH COURT PROCEDURE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I notice in your issue of the 19th (Friday), under the head of "Law and Police," the following, namely—Empress *vs.* Daniel Hart—"The petition presented by the accused in this case from a decision of Mr. Ryan, Presidency Magistrate, was called on late in the afternoon. There was no appearance for either the accused or the Crown. The petitioner had asked that he should be allowed to appear in Court and plead his own cause. Their Lordships, however, following the usual practice, had not thought proper to grant the prayer," &c. Now I should like the hon. Judges to explain what they mean by stating, "the usual practice?" Am I to understand that practice takes precedence to law? If so, all I can say is, the sooner the practice is done away with the better for us. I would here invite the hon. Judges' attention to section 439 of the Criminal Procedure Code, paragraph 2, which clearly states the procedure to be followed by the High Court in such cases, namely:—"No order under this section shall be made to the prejudice of the accused unless he has had an opportunity of being heard either *personally* or by *pleader* in his own defence." The italics are mine. And, again, it is distinctly laid down in section 440 of the above Code, "that nothing in this section 440 shall be deemed to *affect* section 439, paragraph 2." After this I should really like to be apprised as to the reasons that led their Lordships to set aside the law in so bold a manner by debarring the prisoner Hart from appearing in Court in order to defend his own cause. I argue on his behalf at this distance that an accused person has the incontestable right to appear and plead his own cause before a criminal court. I will the following note from Prinsep's Criminal Procedure Code, page 417:—"The second paragraph of section 439 is new and must be read so as to mean any order adversely affecting the position of the accused at that time, otherwise as any order passed by a Court of Revision rejecting an application on behalf of an accused would be to his 'prejudice,' he might claim the right to be heard." I therefore contend that the High Court's order in Hart's case, without giving him an opportunity to appear and defend his own cause, is null and void, according to the wording of paragraph second of section 439. And Hart can still, according to law, claim the right to be heard for the above reasons. I am sure, Sir, you will be of the same opinion as I am. Will you not help the poor fellow?—Yours, &c.,

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RATEPAYER'S ASSOCIATION IN BOMBAY.

A PUBLIC meeting of the ratepayers of Bombay was held yesterday at the Framjee Cowasjee Institute, the Hon. Dadabhai Naorojee presiding. The meeting was largely attended.

The chairman said that he had accepted his position as chairman because he felt a deep interest in this movement, and he regarded it as a beginning of great events hereafter. A Rate-payer's Association in a city like Bombay with the progress it had made in its municipal institutions was an absolute necessity. It was one of the best means by which they could be politically educated towards that most important goal of local self-government. (Applause). It was very important that they should have an association like this to understand that municipal institutions were not simply a matter of play, but involved questions of great expenditure and an income of something like half a million of rupees. It was for the ratepayers to see that the large sums contributed by them towards the municipal government of the city were or were not judiciously and properly spent. The municipality was like a large property which was entrusted to certain managers, and which, if not properly looked after, would naturally result in mismanagement and extravagance. In that case none would be more to blame in the matter than the ratepayers of the city. They would then see how important it was for them that they should have an association for the ultimate success of the Corporation. It was in the power of the ratepayers to select persons who were fit and proper to take charge of the municipal business and to represent them in the Corporation. If they did not select proper persons, it would again be their own fault. After they had selected the proper representatives, it was for the ratepayers again to see that they discharged their

must ask how and where the moneys go? Some years ago there was a loud complaint as to the laxity of the assessment department. The complaint grew so loud and persistant that you had no course left but to appoint a committee to investigate the matter. And you know the result was a complete overhaul with additional revenue of about 2 lakhs. Now a judicious overhaul of other departments where laxity is said to prevail would bring about considerable savings. The greater the thrift the greater the improvements of the city—possibly, some relief of taxation too; but of this I fear there is little hope. So that Municipal finance, as I have said, should be one of the most important subjects to which the attention of the committee of the association would be incessantly drawn. Remember, gentlemen, that sixteen years ago the Municipality was almost financially ruined by extravagant expenditure, and if it was saved at all it was owing to the strenuous exertions of half a dozen citizens well known to you. Remembering that instances, the association should try its best to watch closely and jealously the finances of the city if it is not to be overtaken by another such catastrophe some day in the future. With these few observations I beg to second the resolution just moved."

The resolution was carried unanimously.

Mr. Tribhuwandas Mungaldas Nathoobhoy proposed "that this meeting authorizes and requests Messrs. Nowrojee Manockjee Wadia and Pandoorang Balthasar, the surviving trustees of the old Bombay Ratepayers' Association to hand over to the Bombay Ratepayers' and Residents' Association the balance that stands to the credit with the Bombay Bank under their names and the names of Messrs. Sumsoodeen Tyebjee and Moljee Thackersey." He said that they knew that Lord Ripon in his memorable despatch on local self-government said in more places than one that the main objects of his scheme whilst providing for the relief of officials from the pressure of work in their hands were to afford the people of India a large sphere for their political education, and which was so dear to every lover of his land, and to interest them more directly in their own local affairs. He was therefore inclined to think that the interests of *Urbs Prima in Indi*, ought to be represented on a more extensive scale than what they were at present, and those who provided the municipal funds ought to have a larger share in the administration of the same than what they now enjoyed.

Mr. Javerilal Umiashunker proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman, referring to his self-sacrificing spirit in all public causes and affairs. Mr. Dadabhai, he said, was going to England by to-morrow's mail and they should one and all wish him God-speed. (Loud cheers).

The vote was carried by acclamation.

At the suggestion of Mr. Bala Mungesh Wagle three cheers were given for the chairman.

The chairman briefly thanked the assembly for their kind wishes, and the meeting separated.

MR. EDWIN ARNOLD'S VISIT TO MADRAS.

Mr. Edwin Arnold, describing his visit to Madras, says:—We sailed from Calcutta, for Madras and Colombo, by the steamer Rewa of the British India Navigation Company, a splendid vessel of 4,200 tons fitted with every desirable comfort and commanded by one of the most courteous of captains; well manned, officered, and disciplined. The Rewa was bound for London; but the company has also the coasting trade of India in its hands, and bears with its fine fleet a large part in developing the commerce of the East. Steam has deprived of its old terrors the run down the "Calcutta River;" but this is still a somewhat delicate navigation and we took on board before starting one of those famous Hooghly pilots, who draw the stipend of a judge, and are at the head of their profession. The long steamer was backed out from her berth, and dropped down on the swift tide, stern foremost, so as to be able at any moment—amid the crowded craft—to steam hard ahead, and stop her way. It was not until we had arrived at a broad and quiet reach that the ship was at last swung with her head down stream. Thus we passed the King of Oudh's gardens, and the red and blue roofs of his rambling palace, with tens of thousands of pigeons flying about them; the fleet of the Peninsular and Oriental Company's great steamers moored off Kaughat; the dark cypress trees of the Botanical Gardens, and countless Bengalee villages below them nestling under their knot of palmyra palms and bamboos. At certain points a swirl and eddy of the broad stream marked the head of some sand dangerous to navigation; but the chief peril is reached at the "James and Mary" bank. This is a shoal thrown up by two tidal currents meeting the broad stream of the Ganges, so that while the depth of the river is seriously shallowed there is at all times except high and low water a frightful "rip," which will tear the steering-gear of a ship to pieces, and fling her broadside on the sand, where she will roll over and over, smashing her masts, drowning her company, and disappearing entirely in a few hours. More than one fine vessel has thus been totally lost on this death-trap, the real name of which is *Jal-mari*, or "the Striking of the Waters." Pilots seek to pass it, as nearly as possible at high water, but then, too often, there is a throng of ships, steaming or towing, trying also to go through, and if one should come to grief, the others may be gravely embarrassed. Above and below the "James and Mary" are difficult points which oblige a pilot to go forward, once committed to the passage, and the capricious river is constantly altering the soundings and causing the buoys to be shifted. Our captain recounts, how, on a rainy and misty morning, with a large steamer to carry through, the leadsman suddenly called out a foot too little of water, and by so much less than was expected, at the moment when the vessel was in a position where she would not be stopped. There was nothing to do except hold her firmly to the middle of the channel, clap on full steam, and trust to plough through the mud; which was successfully done, the captain himself taking the wheel; but if the ship had hung for an instant, she might too easily have broached to, and rolled over. We negotiated this dreaded bank alone, and without any difficulty, piloted by the skilful Mr. Daly, who has thirty-five years' acquaintance with the whims and ways of the rapid river. Then we glide for the night into the broad and placid waters of Diamond Harbour, and cast anchor there since no navigation is done after sunset upon the Hooghly. The ingenious pilot drops his net overboard for the prawns and delicious "bummelows" which abound in the muddy tide, and we haul it on the deck at day break with a couple of buckets of these fish, and also three water snakes—two enormous reptiles of a pale ash-colour, having grey bands, and one a thin whip-like serpent, striped like a porcupine quill. Getting under way again we pass Saugor Island lying low on the left hand, full of tigers, with which indeed the swampy Sonderbunds abound, and the Gaspar light ship, below which the Rewa reaches the pilot's holding at anchor, into which—with friendly farewells—we send our pilot. At this point the Ganges runs out of the huge Delta formed by her own flood, and that of the Brahmapootra—the yellow current being bounded on each side by the deep blue of the Bay of Bengal, but it is long before we steam entirely clear of the turbid tide, silently building up new shoals and archipelagoes. Then begins one of those tranquil voyages which make even landsmen in love with the sea. In January and February the cyclones which have their home in these narrow tropical waters are unknown, and day after day the Rewa glides under delightful skies and over a sleeping ocean towards Madras, every little flying-fish making a chain of ripples on the unbroken sapphire of the Bay, and the turtles in dozens floating asleep upon it. As the sun sinks over the Coromandel coast it turns the softly-moving sea into a broad sheet of ruby and purple, and you comprehend why Homer called it "wine-coloured." Not a sail breaks the solitude of the ocean, as darkness falls to close these perfect days and to bring nights of inexpressible repose and brilliancy, jewelled with constellations new to northern eyes. One thinks with something like self-reproach of those who at home feel the keen winter winds and biting frosts—one would like everybody to see and praise such weather of Paradise:

For, even these days of subtler air and finer
Delight,
When lovelier looks the darkness, and diviner
The light,
The gift they give of all these golden hours,
Whose urn
Pours forth reverberate rays or shadowing showers
In turn,
Clouds, beams, and winds that make the live day's
track
Seem living—
What were they did no spirit give them back
Thanksgiving!

Our Indian sailors enjoy this happy commencement of their long voyage to England, and think the days fortunate, which, indeed, they are; for this is the Hindoo month of *Paush Shudh*, when the Sun, having reached his farthest southern sign, turns northward in the Zodiac to enter *Makar*, the deer-headed Fish constellation, carved upon the ancient rail at Buddha-Gya. Thus we are all now in that half of the solar year called *Uttarayana* when it is good to be born and blessed to die; when marriages are chiefly celebrated, and when all the months—until the orb turns back again from "the crab" to begin the period named *Dakshinayana*—will be propitious. During the latter term the gates of Swarga are closed, and even pious and righteous souls arriving there must wait outside the golden portals. But in *Uttarayana* those gates stand always open. It is the time when the sacred thread is placed upon the young Brahmin's neck, when new cloths and umbrellas bought and presented, and the cakes of sesamum and sugar are given between friends. So we sail amid universal satisfaction, a happy ship's company, including even the monkeys, parrots, and spotted deer, which we are carrying on the deck, until the low eminence of St. Thomas' Mount comes into view, and the Rewa steams into the little open harbour of Madras.

Too favoured as we three travellers have here and everywhere been, the Governor's boat and carriage are found waiting for us on arrival; and we go off from our steamer for a day ashore in Madras, through a crowd of *masoolah* boats and of the wonderful little "catamarans." Everybody has heard of these outlandish craft: three logs of light, porous *tumu* wood, lashed together and propelled by a paddle, upon which the Madras boatman, squatted on his hauns, pushes fearlessly off to sea through the wildest breakers, riding them like a sea-gull. The hardihood of these natives and the strength and energy of the wild naked *masoolah* boatmen—who drive their big open sewn craft over the waves with oars like soup ladles—are truly admirable. It is notably warmer in Madras, even at Government House, than in Calcutta, and residents say that the city is never really cool; but the apartments of Mr. Grant Duff's palace are spacious and shady, and the park surrounding it (full of the trees and flowers which His Excellency knows so well, and tenanted by herds of tame antelope and spotted deer) affords delightful rambles. The superficial impressions of the city and its surroundings which a brief stay can impart are decidedly favourable. Madras—though it sits low on the shore and cannot keep its harbour walls good against the recurring cyclones—seems a bright and pleasant capital, with a Hindoo population, strikingly good-tempered, industrious, well-contented, and well-dressed; the particularly gay hues of the *saris* and *cholis* worn by the women contrasting wonderfully well with their skins—much darker than those of their sisters in Bombay and Calcutta. These people of Madras appeared really to enjoy their simple existence in town and country alike. In no part of India was a population encountered which, as far as passing observation goes, seemed to be so glad to exist under the common conditions of human life. Their placid pleasure in the kindly soft elements around them recalled a verse of the Sikh Grunth, which says very grandly:

The beautiful side of the sky is the Guru of Man;
And his Father the Water whilst;
And his Mother the broad-browed Earth, with her
bountiful span;
And the sweet-bosomed Night
Is the black Nurse who lulls him to sleep with the
stars in her care;
And the strong-striding Day
Is the Hamal, with glittering turban and putta,
who bears
The children to play.

In such an instinctive sense of having the Natural Powers for friends, these Madrassees appear to lead their simple, pleasant, busy days.

You see them laughing and chatting everywhere, frequenting in troops the tree-covered and the charming marine promenade which Mr. Grant Duff has bestowed upon his city, and which runs for some two miles along the sands of the Bay of Bengal. Here all "fashionable" Madras gathers about sunset, and the inhabitants come to stroll and listen to the band. The suburbs of the southern capital are especially agreeable. One would have to drive a long distance outside Calcutta to discover any such delightful shaded roads and lanes as the carriage will thread in driving to Nangumbaukum, or to Adyar, both within a few miles of the city. The banks of the little river Adyar presented a curious spectacle—for all the washing of the capital was being done there, by a thousand *dhobies*, male and female, near the bridge, and the river-sands were covered with countless garments of all colours, while the air was filled with the thunder of a thousand wet cloths slapped upon the flat stones. Guindi is another very pretty quarter. Here His Excellency the Governor has his country house, surrounded by a delightful and very extensive park and gardens, in which I wandered with all the more profit because the trees and shrubs, whether rare or common, were named and labelled. The botanical word will yet, no doubt, reap rich fruit from the scientific love which Mr. Grant Duff has for the *flora* of the Presidency, which he has governed with enlightened devotion during the last five years. Yet here again, in the wide and picturesque grounds of Government House, it was remarkable to notice how many plants, trees, animals, and insects are common to the two peninsulas of India. Madras might take for her especial floral emblems the *phœnix sylvestris*, one of the prettiest of palms; and the *epomea*, creeping along the soil, with its lilac blossoms. But almost all the other well-known trees and shrubs are there: the cocoa-nut, the peepul, aswatthas, tamarinds, bel-trees, the cactus, castor-oil, papaw, and bamboo; the *chandni* flower, which opens at moonlight; the golden *kaswun*, sacred to marriages and to Vishnu; the constant bougainvilliers, and yellow and red mohurs, while flitting about them were the crimson and the violet Machaon and Hector butterflies, which flutter in the Poona gardens, and the bee-eater; and the coppersmith bird, but in monotonous note on the banbul-tree. India is like an island in its homogeneity!

At Guindi there is a racecourse, where I saw some excellent hurdle-jumping, and, what pleased better, a great concourse of natives gathered to see the sports and enlivening them by their bright costumes. These races all took place before breakfast—that is to say, between 5-30 and 8-30 a.m.—as it is too hot for out-of-door exercise after the sun gets high. When we had finished tiffin at Government House the amusement was to feed the brown and red kites, which, like the deer, are quite tame, and will take bread out of the hand of Her Excellency's children. "'Twas pretty" to see the great birds circling near in scores, and when the food was thrown into the air one of them, dashing with a keen swoop and thrill of wings at the morsel, catching it as it fell, and flying away with the prize, which it would eat while balancing it between the feet. Among the curious treasures of the Museum, which the Governor has greatly developed, is a golden coin of Claudius, the Emperor, struck to commemorate the conquest of Britain, which was the beginning of Christian rule near Madras. What chapters of fancy might be written about this *aureus*, which thus strangely links the past and present of England's history, and came, perhaps, from India in the scrip of St. Thomas! The only fact which could be mentioned to match the odd thoughts suggested by this Roman coin, with its device of *ob Britannos devictos*—in connection with the same locality—is regarding the famous old ship *Mayflower*, which bore to the Pilgrim Fathers to New England. It has recently been ascertained that this vessel was chartered in 1659 A.D. by the East India Company, and went to Masulipatam from Gombroon for a cargo of rice and general produce. She was lost upon the voyage home, one of the ships whose history is linked with that of the birth and uprise of great nations, like the *aureus* in the Madras Museum. I could have wished greatly to prolong the pleasant and instructive conversations which it was my distinction to enjoy with Mr. and Mrs. Grant Duff, at Government House. But the "blue peter" was now hoisted at the Rewa's main, and once more rolling across the harbour in the official *masoolah* boat, with grateful farewells and good wishes, we bade adieu to Madras and to our kind entertainers, shaping a course south and by east for Ceylon.

BROWNINGISM IN CHICAGO.

Archdeacon Farrar has naturalized the cult of Browningism in the great city of pork. Chicago has now its Browning clubs, and the Americans are studying patiently the mysteries of the incomprehensible poet. More copies of his work are sold in a day now than were sold in six months before the Archdeacon's visit. "Canon Farrar accomplished for Browning," said a leading bookseller of Chicago, who was interviewed on the subject, "the same mission that an advance agent consummates in his labours for a theatrical star—he got the public interested. Why, you have no idea of the variety of people who come in here for Browning's poems. As a police sergeant here said, I have to read Browners, as I did just now, which Browning they refer to, and I am not exaggerating a particle when I tell you that half of them are nonplussed by the question. Even the young society fledglings, with banged hair and collars that ever be lower than those of their ears, come in and pipe for Browning as pertly as may be. I suppose they hear the name mentioned in society, and, learning that the poet is the 'latest fad' and the 'proper caper, doncher know,' they come in to investigate and see what sort of books the fellow writes, any way. They buy the books, these society folk. Whether or not they read and comprehend you must ask them." "There are Browning clubs in Chicago?" "That is, two that are important and influential; one on the south side and one on the north. Then there are several minor classes in various parts of the city. A member of one of the clubs, being interviewed says: "He is sometimes a little hard to understand, I admit; but we have our leaders, who explain the intricate passages and involved meanings. Then we discuss the poems after they are read, and it is really very entertaining and instructive. The only difficulty that we find is that sometimes Browning is a trifle—ah—outré, you know, and when a young woman is assigned a poem that might cause her to blush she generally obtains an excuse on some pretext or another." From this it would appear that the prudery which Mrs. Trollope satirized is not yet extinct out West, where in her time it was so improper to speak of a shirt that young ladies used to ask for "The Song of the Gentleman's Under-garment."

ONE OF THE FAILURES OF SOCIETY.

A correspondent, says the *Times*, writes from Copenhagen:—"The incendiary who some years ago set fire to the Victoria Docks, and caused a conflagration of the most dangerous nature, and involving damage of several hundred thousands of pounds, has recently been condemned to death for the second time by the Danish courts, and he is yet not twenty-five. The name of the criminal is Jens Nielsen, and he was born in 1862, the illegitimate child of a crippled mother. He passed his youth in Danish workhouses and reformatories, was frequently punished for thefts and before he was sixteen had twice tried his hand at arson. After having served his term at the penitentiary for these crimes he was sent to America where he became a sailor; his new trade brought him to London where he underwent several punishments for minor felonies and committed the principal crime of his life. For this he was, however, not put to trial in England; it was during an investigation against him for other reasons after his return to Denmark that he was convicted of having set fire to the Victoria Docks solely with a view of plundering during the confusion, and the sentence for this and other crimes was sixteen years of penitentiary. He had only been a few months in prison when he made a murderous attack on one of the warders, partly out of spite and partly because he felt tired of life and wished to die. He was condemned to death, but a Royal pardon commuted the penalty to imprisonment for life under severe guard. This only increased his rage and despair, and a few weeks after he committed another murderous assault, planned with the utmost shrewdness, and coming very near success. The Supreme Court has now for the second time condemned him to the supreme penalty of the law, and it is not probable that any commutation will again be advised to the King. Jens Nielsen will, it is firmly believed, soon be executed, and the authorities will have to provide as well as they can against any repetition of the horrid scenes occurring some years ago on a similar occasion, when nervousness or something worse made the executioner miss the culprit's neck, and inflict some dreadful wounds in his head before the third cut severed the neck from the trunk. Jens Nielsen is in full possession of his mental powers, he is even clever and shrewd, but he is of a bottomless depravity, utterly devoid of moral notions, entirely dominated by his feelings of spite and revenge, and full of sensational vanity. His execution will relieve the world of a real *monstrum horrendum*.

A CURIOUS SUPERSTITION.

A very strange transaction occurred, though not the first of its kind, in the Roman Catholic cemetery in Ansonia, near New Haven, last month. Four respectable Irishwomen halted at a newly made grave. They were elderly women, and seemed to be worn by grief and watching. They waited a few minutes, while two stalwart men with shovels worked away diligently to reopen the grave. The tears ran down their cheeks, and they clasped each others' hands in sympathy when the men reached the rough box which enclosed a casket and the remains of a young and beautiful girl—the daughter of one of the four weeping women. The box was raised from the grave and placed at one side on the ground. Then the lid was removed. The mother and her companions looked on a moment, and then recovering from their grief went swiftly to work and searched and examined the corpse from head to foot. Through the hair and shroud and the feet covering went their busy fingures. All the pins that had been used to hold the ceremenis in place were removed and carefully treasured. The strings with which the feet were tied together were taken away. Then one of the women took a needle and thread, and where pins had been removed stitches were taken, care being had that no knots were tied in the thread. After the operation was concluded the women signalled to the men that the coffin was again to be interred. After the grave was filled the little procession wended its way homeward. These proceedings were in consequence of a superstition that if a corpse is buried upon which are strings tied with knots, or pins used to keep the grave clothes or shroud in place, the soul can never enter heaven, but must walk until the pins are removed and the knots untied. One of the four women said that for two nights she had been troubled by the ghost of the dead girl, who kept appearing to her and wishing relief. From this reason they searched the grave clothes to remove what they considered the only thing that kept the spirit of the poor girl from heavenly happiness. "Now," she said, "that the duty is done to the dead, the living are all happy, and all will be peace."

FAMILY LIFE IN FRANCE.

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